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Town Officers for the Year 1912

TOWN CLERK.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

TREASURER.

WALTER H. THAYER.

SELECTMEN.

MICHAEL F. RYAN,	Chairman,
DAVID G. JONES,	ALBERT G. MOWRY.

ASSESSORS.

CARROLL E. WHITE,	Term expires March 1913
ORVILLE C. RHODES,	Term expires March 1914
*CHARLES S. CARTER,	Term expires March 1915

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

OTTO L. BULLARD,	Term expires March 1913
FELIX S. BROTHERS,	Term expires March 1914
HENRY W. PICKERING,	Term expires March 1915

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,	Term expires March 1913
HENRY McCARTHY,	Term expires March 1914
JAMES O. RICHARDSON,	Term expires March 1915

AUDITOR.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

WALTER H. THAYER.

TREE WARDEN.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

FENCE VIEWERS.

MAURICE J. CONNOLLY,	ORVILLE C. RHODES
	CLINTON O. WHITNEY.

CONSTABLES.

HIRAM E. CROOKS, †CHARLES A. DUNNING
 JAMES E. KENNELLY, WALTER H. THAYER

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

MRS. ALICE A. BURR, Term expires March 1913
 MISS BERTHA FRANKLIN, Term expires March 1913
 MRS. OLIVE COOK, Term expires March 1914
 DAVID G. JONES, Term expires March 1914
 WESLEY E. HOWES, Term expires March 1915
 MRS. MARY L. WRIGHT, Term expires March 1915

CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

HENRY A. WHITNEY, Term expires March 1913
 ORVILLE C. RHODES, Term expires March 1914
 S. FRED METCALF, Term expires March 1915

Appointments by the Selectmen, 1912.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

EDWIN Z. IRONS.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN.

L. FRANCIS THAYER.

FIELD DRIVERS.

PATRICK O'NEIL, JOSEPH PALMER,
 NATHANIEL W. PICKERING.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

ELBRIDGE A. RHODES, HIRAM E. CROOKS
 L. FRANCIS THAYER, SAMUEL METCALF,
 HARRY E. CAMP, HENRY A. WHITNEY.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

LUMAN R. CAMP, CLARENCE A. CROOKS,
 HARRY E. CAMP, L. FRANCIS THAYER.

SEXTONS.

S. FRED METCALF, HENRY A. WHITNEY,
 ORVILLE C. RHODES, HENRY W. PICKERING.

BURIAL AGENT.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

POLICE OFFICERS.

FRANK DUQUETT,	ALBERT J. SPENCER,
JOHN M. HART,	JOSEPH A. PALMER,
HADLEY D. PERKINS,	WALTER F. ADAMS,
	ALEXANDER BERGERN.

SPECIAL POLICE FOR JULY 3 AND 4.	
WILLIE F. WALES,	CHARLES DUNNING,
HARRY CAMP,	JOHN McMAHON.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.
EDWIN Z. IRONS.

INSPECTOR AGENT FOR GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTHS.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND PROVISIONS.
CARROLL E. WHITE.

BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS FOR MARCH
MEETING, 1912.

DANIEL SULLIVAN,	ORVILLE C. RHODES,
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,	CARROLL F. WHITE,
JOHN H. FOLEY,	CHARLES S. CARTER,
HENRY MC CARTHY,	CLINTON O. WHITNEY.

FOR MEETING APRIL 30, 1912.
ORVILLE C. RHODES, TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
DANIEL SULLIVAN, CARROLL F. WHITE.

FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING, 1912.
ORVILLE C. RHODES, TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
PERCY C. BURR, JOSEPH PALMER.

FOR NOVEMBER ELECTION.
WESLEY E. HOWES, DANIEL SULLIVAN,
PERCY C. BURR, JOSEPH PALMER,
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY, CARROLL F. WHITE,
JOSEPH MURPHY, ORVILLE C. RHODES,
JOHN MC CARTHY.

Town Clerk's Report.

DOGS LICENSED IN BELLINGHAM 1912.

FROM DEC. 1, 1911 TO JUNE 1, 1912.

Male dogs, 30, at \$2 each,	\$60 00
Female dogs, 3, at \$5 each,	15 00
Spayed dogs, 2, at \$2 each,	4 00
	\$79 00
Fees, 35 dogs, 20c each,	7 00
	\$72 00

FROM JUNE 1, 1912 TO DEC. 1, 1912.

Male dogs, 76, at \$2 each,	\$152 00
Female dogs, 7, at \$5 each,	35 00
Spayed dogs, 6, at \$2 each,	12 00
	199 00
Fees, 89 dogs, 20c each,	17 80
	\$181 20

HENRY A. WHITNEY,

Town Clerk.

Jurors Drawn, 1912.

Nov. 22,	John F. McCarthy,	Grand Juror.
Nov. 22,	William A. Noble,	Criminal Term.
April 2,	Emory B. Whiting.	Special.
April 22,	Cornelius Fitzpatrick,	Civil Term.
Aug. 23,	Elwin M. Taft,	Criminal Term.
Dec. 20,	Hadley D. Perkins,	Civil Term.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Marriages Recorded in Bellingham, for Year 1913.

Date	Name	Residence	Married By
Feb. 11	John Joseph Diggin Catherine Agnes Fisher	Bellingham Franklin	Rev. Martin J. Lee at Medway
11	Jerry O'Rourke Ellen Lena Dore	Bellingham "	Rev. Martin J. Lee at Medway
Nov. 7	Fred Cleveland Spicer Catherine Helen McClure	Bellingham Milford	Rev. Ernest W. Dow at West Medway
April 14	William Bodeane Pauline Chesaine	Bellingham "	Rev. Martin J. Lee at Medway
July 16	Claud Henry Hoyt Charlotte Amanda Staples	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham	Rev. Dempster D. Gor- ton at Bellingham
Sept. 9	Wilfred Dufresne Lelia Perkins	Bellingham "	Rev. T. C. Watkins at Milford
7	Charles A. Draheim, Jr Bertha Irene Unwin	Bellingham "	Rev. Guy W. Miner at Bellingham
Oct. 12	Jesse W. Hoyt Jessie M. Thompson	Bellingham Pascoag, R. I.	Rev. James H. Stubbs at Franklin
Dec. 14	Robert J. Cross Nelly Melvina Wallace	Bellingham Milford	Rev. Wm. W. Wakeman at Bellingham
Dec. 29	Guy Strople Maud Lippsett	Bellingham "	Ernest W. Dow at West Medway

Births Recorded in Bellingham, 1912.

Date	Name	Parents Name
Jan.		
14	Cornelia Child Ladd	Richard C. and Gertrude (Dunning)
31	Blanche Irene Helena Lomontague	Eusbe and Clara (Varrius)
Feb.		
14	Romulus Stewart	Romulus and Bethel (Ward)
29	May A. Feeney	Ambrose and Mary F. (Keller)
Mar.		
31	Marie Rose Blanche Hebert	Phillis L. and Georgeana (LeBlanc)
May		
6	Marie Helene Marcelle Donalda Carriere	Alfred and Emma (Blanchet)
6	Amelia Depont	Frank and Rosie (Fraidie)
9	Howard Stanley Lippset	Edward and Flora (Wales)
June		
5	Stanislaus Nowak	Walter and Victoria (Migneau)
10	William Henry O'Rourke	Jeremiah J. and Ellen L. (Dore)
July		
2	Alva Weston Aldrich	Charles W. and Catherine T. (Boak)
11	Stewart	Morton C. and Emilie P. C. (Stearns)
22	Katherine Whitehead	Levi and Maud (Davis)
22	Rose Alma Houle	Wilford and Donalda (Boucher)
26	Sophy Bis	Frank and Ludervina (Nowak)
Aug.		
4	Mary Margaret Delphine St. Martin	Alfred and Rosa (Leroux)
26	Enelena Delia Rattie	Adelore and Bertha E. (Sears)
28	Marion Fowler	
Sept.		
12	Marie Ethel Myner	Noe and Laura (Dufrane)
Oct.		
1	Laura Victoria Germaine Larochelle	Pierre and Florida (Bortean)
9	Marion P. Palmer	Joseph A. and Gertrude C. (Estes)
Dec.		
3	Ellsworth Richardson Crooks	Hiram E. and Bertine (Marsh)
7	Marcel Willie Joseph Gingras	Joseph and Marie (Menard)
21	Joslin	William A. and Mary S. (St. Martin)
31	Armand Louis Girard	Oscar R. and Lydia (Garneau)

Deaths Recorded in Bellingham, 1912.

Date	Name	Y. M. D.	Cause of Death
Jan.			
2	Michael Mahon	43 — —	Obscure Abdominal Trouble
7	Josephine Gomo	45 — —	Pneumonia
10	Henry Stone	79 2 22	Chronic Intestinal Nephritis
11	Angelle Vallain Gendron	67 — —	Pneumonia
Feb.			
1	John Joseph Gerstle	73 1 19	Pneumonia
1	Louisa Fisher	72 6 2	Capillary Bronchitis
27	Catherine Kiernahan	52 — —	Suppurative Choleczstitis
Mar.			
14	Elsie Boiteau	43 7 —	Cancer of Stomach
28	Bridget McNaughton	61 — —	Pulmonary Hemorrhage
28	Harold C. Conant	— — 10	Infantile Debility
31	Marie Rose Blanch Herbert	— — —	6 hrs.] Malnutrition
April			
15	Eugene Rattie	— — 12	Convulsions
May			
1	Martha Eunice Hodgkins	— 1 7	Whooping Cough
7	David Loyd Bethel	76 10 24	Valvular Disease of Heart
27	Mary Abbie Goodwin	17 6 2	Acute Tuberculosis
June			
10	George Henry Francis	67 11 12	Disease of Heart
July			
10	James Burns	77 — —	Empyema
Aug.			
1	Phebe W. Talbot	62 3 2	Cancer of Liver
3	Laura Chilson	69 3 28	Disease of Heart
Oct.			
25	Marie Louisa Parenteau	19 — —	Rheumatism
Nov.			
23	Alanson Bates	94 1 5	Pneumonia
Dec.			
15	Lavina Curtis	63 4 1	Chronic Nephritis
25	Philomena Leblance	74 — —	Old Age
25	Addison S. Burr	82 2 6	La Grippe

TOWN MEETING, HELD MARCH 4, 1912.

Agreeable to a Warrant issued by the Selectmen of this Town, dated Feb. 23, 1912, and proper returns made thereon, the legal voters met in the Town Hall on the 4th day of March, 1912, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded to business by the Clerk reading the Warrant and called for votes for a Moderator under Article 1.

And choice was made of Warren E. Fairbanks.

Article 2. Was to bring in on one ballot the names of citizens to fill the office of Town Clerk for 1 year; Town Treasurer for 1 year; 3 Selectmen for 1 year; Overseer of the Poor for 3 years; 1 Assessor of Taxes for 3 years; 1 School Committee for 3 years; 4 Constables for 1 year; 2 Library Trustees for 3 years; 3 Fence Viewers for 1 year; 1 Tree Warden for 1 year; 1 Cemetery Committee for 3 years; a Collector of Taxes for 1 year; 1 Auditor for 1 year; also on the same ballot to answer the following question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" "Yes" or "No."

At 10 o'clock and 9 minutes the Polls were opened for ballots. All the Election Officers had been sworn. Cards of Instruction and Penalties and Sample Ballot had been posted in their proper places. At 12.10 o'clock a recess was taken until 1 o'clock from all work but balloting. At 1.15 o'clock the ballot box was opened and 100 ballots counted therefrom, when balloting continued. At 2.30 o'clock 50 ballots were taken from the box. At 3 o'clock it was voted to keep the Polls open until 3.45 o'clock and voted closed at that time. The check list was counted and 181 names found checked, both lists were alike and that number was found in the box after the canvass of the ballots. The Clerk read the results and the Moderator declared the election for the year 1912.

At 11.40 o'clock Art. 3 was taken up.

Report of Town Officers as follows:

Town Clerk, voted to accept as printed.

Auditor's, voted to lay on the table, later taken from the table and accepted.

Selectmen's, voted to dispense with the reading and to lay the same on the table, later taken from the table and accepted.

Street Lighting Committee, voted to lay it on the table, then voted to accept as printed.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, voted to accept.

Tree Warden, voted to accept.

Overseers of the Poor, voted to lay it on the table, later voted to accept as printed.

Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth, voted to accept.

Memorial Day, voted to accept.

Assessors, voted to lay it on the table, taken from the table, voted to accept as printed.

Tax Collector, Mr. Ryan, voted to accept as printed.

Mr. Thayer for 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, voted to accept as printed.

Treasurer's, voted to lay same on the table, later taken from the table and accepted.

Members of Public Library, voted to accept as printed.

School Committee, voted to accept as printed.

Article 4. The raising and appropriating of money for following purposes and voted:

1. Support of Schools, including books, supplies, incidentals, transportation of scholars and salary of superintendent,	\$6,300 00
2. Highways, bridges, guide boards and sidewalks,	2,000 00
3. Support of the poor, receipt of the department and	1,400 00
4. Repair of town buildings,	150 00
5. Incidental items,	500 00
6. Printing,	200 00
7. Interest on town debt,	800 00

8. To pay town debt.	Voted to pass	
9. Pay of town officers,		1,200 00
	Salary of selectmen increased \$10 each.	
10. Repairs in the cemeteries,		30 00
11. Decoration Day,		50 00
12. Public Library,		250 00
13. Indigent soldier aid,		100 00
14 and 19. Tree Warden and gypsy and brown tail moth,		300 00
15. Emergency fund,		400 00
16. Board of Health,		100 00
17. Street lighting,		1,200 00
18. State aid,		600 00

Article 5. To see if the town will give the Selectmen authority to contract with the State Highway Commissioners as required under provisions of Section 10, Chapter 47 of the Revised Laws, or act or do anything thereon. Voted to pass over.

Article 6. To see if the town will assume damages, if any, which may result from the construction of State highway. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. To see when the several sums of money, voted to be raised, shall be collected and paid into the treasury. Voted all taxes due Oct. 1, 1912, and not paid by Nov. 1, 1912, interest be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. All taxes are to be paid by Jan. 1, 1913.

Article 8. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be, and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year, beginning Feb. 1, 1912, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$10,000, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote, to be from said tax.

Article 9. To see if the town will authorize its collector to use all means of collecting the taxes, which a

Treasurer has, when appointed a Collector, and to establish his salary. Voted him the authority, and his salary 1 per cent. of all taxes committed.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow \$1,000 for a period of not exceeding six months, to renew or refund Note No. 5, issued in anticipation of taxes of 1911, dated Sept. 22, 1911, and due March 22, 1912. Voted to dismiss from the warrant.

Article 11. To see if the town will allow any bills that may be presented. No bills presented.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to pay surety bonds for Treasurer and Collector. Voted to pay for same.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to appropriate any money for the purpose of fighting forest fires, also to see if the town will accept of Chapter 398 of Acts of 1910. Voted to accept Chapter and to raise and appropriate \$400.

Article 14. To see if the town will appropriate any money to stop the illegal sale of liquor or other nuisances. Vote for this object \$100.

Article 15. To see if the town will appoint a Street Highway Committee. Voted that the Selectmen act as such Committee.

Article 16. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to take up with the M., A. & W. St. Railway Co., the granting a 5 cent fare from all sections of the town, not having the same, to all Caucuses and Town Meetings. Voted the Selectmen the instructions asked for in this article.

Article 19. To see if the town raise and appropriate any money for the purpose of celebrating the Bi-Centenial (1919) Incorporation of the town of Bellingham. Voted to lay article on the table. Voted to dismiss the warrant.

The vote:

TOWN CLERK.

Henry A. Whitney,	149
Eugene Connolly,	4
Blanks,	28
	—

TREASURER.

Walter H. Thayer,	147
Blanks,	34
	—
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SELECTMEN.

Clarence W. Hoyt,	77
David G. Jones,	87
Albert G. Mowry,	88
Michael F. Ryan,	142
Carroll E. White,	83
Henry W. Pickering,	1
Blanks,	65
	—
	543

ASSESSORS.

Charles S. Carter,	90
John McMahon,	82
Blanks,	9
	—
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OVERSEER OF POOR.

Henry W. Pickering,	143
Proctor P. Cook,	1
Blanks,	37
	—
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

James O. Richardson,	149
Blanks,	32
	—
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AUDITOR.

Michael J. Kennedy,	148
Blanks,	33
	—
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Walter H. Thayer,	151
Henry A. Whitney,	1
Blanks,	29
	—
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TREE WARDEN.

Henry A. Whitney,	137
Blanks,	44
	—

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FENCE VIEWERS.

Maurice J. Connolly,	134
Orville C. Rhodes,	139
Clinton O. Whitney,	131
Blanks,	139
	—

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CONSTABLES.

Hiram E. Crooks,	148
Charles A. Dunning,	135
James E. Kennelly,	134
Walter H. Thayer,	145
John O'Keefe,	1
Blanks,	161
	—

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LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Wesley E. Howes,	130
Mary L. Wright,	128
Blanks,	104
	—

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CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

S. Fred Metcalf,	130
Blanks,	51
	—

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LICENSE.

Yes,	79
No,	92
Blanks,	10
	—

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Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.

PRIMARY MEETING.

The Selectmen called a Primary meeting under provisions of Chapter 254, Acts of 1912, to choose delegates to a convention to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

According to the warrant the legal voters met at the Town Hall at six o'clock on the afternoon of April 30, 1912.

The Selectmen had appointed Orville C. Rhodes and Timothy E. Foley to have charge of the Ballots and Check List to mark the party ticket each one wished to vote.

Joseph Palmer and Percy C. Burr had been appointed to look after the Ballot Box. Balloting commenced at time set for that purpose, and at 9 o'clock the Polls were closed and Check List counted. 86 names were found checked and same number of ballots found in the box. Of this number 78 were Republicans and 8 Democrats. The canvas was made, and declaration made as follows:

Republican vote:

DELEGATES-AT-LARGE.

Charles S. Baxter of Medford,	44
George W. Coleman of Boston,	44
Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg,	43
Albert Bushnell Hart of Cambridge,	43
Octave A. La Riviere of Springfield,	43
James P. Magenis of Boston,	43
Arthur L. Nash of Haverhill,	44
Alvin G. Weeks of Fall River,	45
Frank Seiberlich of Boston,	3
Winthrop Murray Crane of Dedham,	23
John L. Bates of Boston,	25
Lucius Tuttle of Brookline,	24
John W. Weeks of Newton,	25
Samuel B. Capen of Boston,	25
Samuel J. Elder of Winchester,	24
James F. Cavanagh of Everett,	23
Edmond Cote of Fall River,	22
Blanks,	81

ALTERNATE DELEGATES-AT-LARGE.

John D. Long of Hingham,	27
Benjamin H. Anthony of New Bedford,	28
Frank Vogel of Boston,	26
Joseph Monette of Lawrence,	27
Charles H. Innis of Boston,	27
Walter Ballantyne of Boston,	26
Isaac L. Roberts of Boston,	27
Ernest G. Adams of Worcester,	26
Charles E. Burrill of Boston,	41
Thomas F. Doherty of Boston,	37
Richard R. Flynn of Somerville,	39
John Larrabee of Melrose,	40
John G. Maxfield of Springfield,	40
Max Mitchell of Boston,	39
Cassius A. Ward of Boston,	40
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge,	40
Blanks,	104
	—
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TWELFTH DISTRICT DELEGATES.

J. Stearns Cushing of Norwood,	29
George L. Barnes of Weymouth,	27
Frank A. Morrill of Norwood,	41
James W. French of Newton,	38
Blanks,	21
	—
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TWELFTH DISTRICT ALTERNATES.

Louis E. Flye of Holbrook,	24
Wendell Williams of Milford,	23
C. Edson Abbott of Franklin,	38
Franklin T. Miller of Newton,	35
Blanks,	36
	—
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FOR PRESIDENT.

Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin,	1
Theodore Roosevelt of New York,	44

William Howard Taft of Ohio,	31
Blanks,	2
	— 78

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

Robert M. LaFollette,	1
Blanks,	77
	— 78

The Democratic Ballot:

DELEGATES-AT-LARGE.

Frank J. Donahue of Boston,	6
E. Gerry Brown of Brockton,	6
John W. Coughlin of Fall River,	4
John F. Fitzgerald of Boston,	5
William P. Hayes of Springfield,	3
Charles J. Martell of Boston,	5
Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell,	5
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline,	2
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg,	4
Henry F. Burt of Taunton,	1
Henry T. Schaefer of Boston,	1
Geo. Fred Williams of Dedham,	2
John P. Sweeney of Methuen,	2
James H. Vahéy of Watertown,	2
John A. Keliher of Boston,	2
Blanks,	14
	— 64

ALTERNATE DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

James M. Folan of Norwood,	7
Joseph J. Leonard of Boston,	2
Andrew A. Badaracco of Boston,	6
Charles F. Campbell of Worcester,	6
Peter J. Flaherty of Saugus,	6
Daniel H. Maguire of Haverhill,	6
Luke J. Minahan of Pittsfield,	6
Daniel M. O'Brien of Rockland,	5

Joseph F. O'Connell of Boston,	5
John P. Kane of Lawrence,	1
Blanks,	14
	—

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TWELFTH DISTRICT DELEGATES.

Daniel J. Daley of Brookline,	6
Richard Olney, 2d, of Dedham,	6
Blanks,	4
	—

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TWELFTH DISTRICT ALTERNATES.

Harold Williams, Jr., of Brookline,	6
James S. Cannon of Newton,	7
Blanks,	3
	—

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FOR PRESIDENT.

Champ Clark of Missouri,	6
Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey,	1
Blanks,	1
	—

8

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

John F. Fitzgerald of Boston,	2
Eugene N. Foss of Boston,	2
Blanks,	4
	—

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The vote was declared at 11.15 P. M.

Voted to adjourn.

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.

PRIMARY MEETING.

The Selectmen issued a warrant for a Primary Meeting to be held in the Town Hall, the 24th day of September, 1912, at 6.30 o'clock in the afternoon to bring in their Ballots to the Primary officers for the nomination of candidates of Political Parties, for all offices to be voted for at the November Election.

The Election Officers appointed by the Selectmen, Orville C. Rhodes and Timothy E. Foley to have charge of the Ballot and Check List to mark the party each wished to vote, and Percy C. Burr and Joseph Palmer attended the Ballot Box. At 8.55 o'clock the polls were closed, 19 Republican, 24 Democrat ballots found in the box, and the following is the result:

REPUBLICAN VOTE FOR GOVERNOR.

Everett C. Benton of Belmont,	6
Joseph Walker of Brookline,	13
	<hr/> 19

LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Robert Luce of Somerville,	18
Blanks,	1
	<hr/> 19

SECRETARY.

Albert P. Langtry of Springfield,	17
Blanks,	2
	<hr/> 19

TREASURER.

Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville,	16
Blanks,	3
	<hr/> 19

AUDITOR.

John E. White of Tisbury,	15
Blanks,	4
	<hr/> 19

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

John M. Swift of Fall River,	14
Blanks,	5
	—

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CONGRESSMAN IN 13TH DISTRICT.

Richard H. Long of Framingham,	4
John W. Weeks of Newton,	14
Blanks,	1
	—

19

COUNCILLOR 2ND DISTRICT.

Herbert W. Burr of Boston,	8
Guy Andrews Ham of Boston,	8
Blanks,	3
	—

19

SENATOR 2ND NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Fred P. Chapman of Franklin,	10
Henry I. Holbrook of Stoughton,	3
Lombard Williams of Dedham,	4
Blanks,	2
	—

19

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Herbert E. Thompson of Plainville,	13
Blanks,	6
	—

19

COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR NORFOLK COUNTY.

Fred L. Fisher of Norwood,	3
Evan F. Richardson of Millis,	12
Blanks,	4
	—

19

COUNTY TREASURER.

Henry D. Humphrey of Dedham,	14
Blanks,	5
	—

19

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

(to fill vacancy)

Everett M. Bowker of Brookline,	8
William Craig of Brookline,	6
Blanks,	5
	—

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STATE COMMITTEE, 2ND NORFOLK.

Payson Dana of Brookline,	6
William Otis Faxon of Stoughton,	7
Blanks,	6
	—
	19

DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENTION.

Wesley E. Howes of Bellingham,	14
Blanks,	5
	—

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REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE.

Warren E. Fairbanks,	15
Henry A. Whitney,	15
Chester H. Richards,	15
Wesley E. Howes,	15
Elwin M. Taft,	15
Albert G. Mowry,	15
Harold M. Bullard,	15
Blanks,	4

DEMOCRAT VOTE FOR GOVERNOR.

Eugene N. Foss of Boston,	20
Joseph C. Pelletier of Boston,	4
Blanks,	1
	—

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LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Edwin P. Barry of Boston,	4
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg,	21
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SECRETARY.

Frank J. Donahue of Boston,	24
Blanks,	1
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TREASURER.

Joseph L. P. St. Coeur of Cambridge,	23
Blanks,	2
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AUDITOR.

Joseph F. Carens of Newburyport,	23
Blanks,	2
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ATTORNEY GENERAL.

George W. Anderson of Boston,	23
Blanks,	2
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CONGRESSMAN 13TH DISTRICT.

Daniel J. Daley of Brookline,	20
John J. Mitchell of Marlborough,	3
Blanks,	2
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COUNCILLOR 2ND DISTRICT.

Henry J. Dixon of Boston,	6
John P. Rattigan of Boston,	17
Blanks,	2
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SENATOR 2ND NORFOLK.

Joseph J. Driscoll of Boston,	21
Blanks,	4
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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

James H. Stafford of Franklin,	21
Blanks,	4
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Patrick O'Neil of Bellingham,	1
Blanks,	24
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STATE COMMITTEE 2ND NORFOLK DISTRICT

Daniel L. Pendergast of Brookline,	21
Blanks,	4
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DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

Timothy E. Foley,	24
Blanks,	1
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TOWN COMMITTEE.

Michael F. Ryan,	22
Timothy E. Foley,	22
Maurice Fitzpatrick, Jr.,	22
Henry J. Foley,	22
Patrick J. Murphy,	22
Michael J. Kennedy,	22
Percy C. Burr,	7
Blanks,	39

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 5, 1912.

Agreeable to a warrant issued by the Selectmen of this town, dated the 26th day of October, 1912, and proper returns made thereon, the legal voters met in the Town Hall on the 5th day of November, 1912, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their ballots to the Selectmen for Presidential Electors, State, County and District officers. Sample ballots and cards of instruction were posted in their proper places. The chairman of the Selectmen not being

present, the second on the Board (Mr. Jones) took charge of the proceedings and delivered the ballots to Wesley E. Howes and Daniel Sullivan, who had charge of the Check List. Percy C. Burr and Joseph Palmer had charge of the Ballot Box. At ten o'clock one hundred ballots were taken from the box and delivered to Timothy E. Foley, Carroll F. White, Wesley E. Howes and Joseph Murphy, tellers. At two o'clock fifty more ballots were taken from the box and counted. Wesley E. Howes and Daniel Sullivan were relieved at the check list by Orville C. Rhodes, and John McCarthy. The polls were closed at five o'clock in the afternoon; the check list was counted and two hundred and thirty-six names found checked; the same number of ballots was found in the box. The ballots were counted and the vote declared as follows:

The Vote:

No ballots cast for the Prohibition ticket.

No ballots cast for the Socialist party.

SOCIALIST LABOR TICKET

At Large.

	Robert Batemen of Fall River,	3
	Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke,	3
Dist. 1	Herman Koepke of Pittsfield,	3
" 2	Frederick E. Nagler of Springfield,	3
" 3	John A. Anderson of Gardner,	3
" 4	Joseph Jiskea of Milford,	3
" 5	Lars P. Nelson of Cambridge,	3
" 6	Thomas F. Brennan of Salem,	3
" 7	Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody,	3
" 8	Peter O'Rourke of Medford,	3
" 9	Ernest J. B. Gabarino of Malden,	3
" 10	Charles J. Svenson of Boston,	3
" 11	Henry C. Hess of Boston,	3
" 12	Ferdinand Hontenbrink, Jr. of Boston,	3
" 13	Joseph P. Foley of Walpole,	3
" 14	Patrick H. Loftus of Abington,	3

" 15	George R. Rigby of Fall River,	3
" 16	James W. Holden of New Bedford,	3

PROGRESSIVE TICKET.

At Large.

	James P. Magenis of Boston,	83
	Cassius A. Ward of Boston,	83
Dist. 1	Cornelius C. Cook, of Pittsfield,	83
" 2	J. Frank Drake of Springfield,	83
" 3	Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg,	83
" 4	Frank J. Quist of Worcester,	83
" 5	Lewis D. Apsley of Hudson,	83
" 6	Nelson B. Clark of Beverly,	83
" 7	Lyman M. Range of Lynn,	83
" 8	Laurence G. Brooks of Cambridge.	83
" 9	Eugene H. Cox of Malden,	83
" 10	Jerome A. Petitte of Boston,	83
" 11	Arthur D. Hill of Boston,	83
" 12	Elihu D. Stone of Boston,	83
" 13	Norman Marshall of Newton.	83
" 14	Charles S. Millett of Brockton,	83
" 15	Robert A. Dean of Fall River,	83
" 16	Frank E. Ramsdell of New Bedford,	83

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

At Large.

	Rufus D. Adams of Salem,	84
	David F. Dillon of Palmer,	84
Dist. 1	William A. Burns of Pittsfield,	84
" 2	Walter S. Robinson of Springfield,	84
" 3	George R. Wallace of Fitchburg	84
" 4	James Logan of Worcester,	84
" 5	Harry G. Pollard of Lowell,	84
" 6	Alfred E. Lyons of Haverhill,	84
" 7	C. Neal Barney of Lynn,	84
" 8	Everett C. Benton of Belmont,	84
" 9	Frank M. Sawtelle of Malden,	84
" 10	James W. H. Myrick of Boston,	84

" 11	Frank Vogel of Boston,	84
" 12	Moses S. Lourie of Boston,	84
" 13	J. Henry Gleason of Marlborough,	84
" 14	Horace A. Keith of Brockton,	84
" 15	Alfred B. William of Taunton,	84
" 16	Joseph Walsh of Falmouth,	84

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

At Large.

	John W. Cummings of Fall River,	58
	William A. Gaston of Boston,	58
Dist. 1	Daniel F. Doherty of Westfield,	58
" 2	Edward H. Lathrop of Springfield,	58
" 3	Frank H. Pope of Leominster,	58
" 4	John F. Meaney of Blackstone,	58
" 5	J. Joseph O'Connor of Lowell,	58
" 6	Charles A. Russell of Gloucester,	58
" 7	Walter H. Cramer of Lynn,	58
" 8	Thomas E. Dwyer of Wakefield,	58
" 9	James H. Malone of Chelsea,	58
" 10	John J. Maloney of Boston,	58
" 11	Joseph H. O'Neil of Boston,	58
" 12	James F. Powers of Boston,	58
" 13	Charles B. Strecker of Brookline,	58
" 14	Albion C. Drinkwater of Braintree,	58
" 15	Thomas F. Higgins of Fall River,	58
" 16	George M. Harlow of Plymouth,	58
	Blanks,	8

GOVERNOR.

Charles S. Bird of Walpole had	76
Eugene W. Foss of Boston had	86
Patrick Mulligan of Boston had	3
Frank W. Rand of Haverhill had	2
Roland D. Sawyer of Ware had	2
Joseph Walker of Brookline had	52
Blanks,	15

LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Daniel Cosgrove of Lowell had	67
Alfred A. Evans of Northampton had	1
Robert Luce of Somerville had	60
Robert R. Martin of Boston had	4
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford had	3
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg had	76
Blanks,	25

SECRETARY.

Frank J. Donahue of Boston had	67
Ellen Hayes of Wellesley had	4
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield had	63
Karl Lindstrand of Lynn had	1
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge had	65
William W. Nash of Westborough had	1
Blanks,	35

TREASURER.

Charles A. Chase of Swansea had	3
David Craig of Milford had	4
Eldon B. Keith of Brockton had	67
Joseph L. P. St. Coeur of Cambridge had	67
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville had	64
Lewis F. Weiss of Worcester had	4
Blanks,	27

AUDITOR.

James F. Carens of Newburyport had	63
Herbert B. Griffin of Boston had	1
Octave A. La Riviere of Springfield had	73
Sylvester McBride of Watertown had	4
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem had	1
John E. White of Tisbury had	66
Blanks,	28

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

George W. Anderson of Boston had	72
Frank Bohmback of Boston had	1

Freeman T. Crommett of Chelsea had	1
H. Heustis Newton of Everett had	71
George E. Roeuer, Jr. of Boston had	4
James M. Swift of Fall River had	63
Blanks,	24

CONGRESSMAN.

George A. Field of Waltham had	62
John J. Mitchell of Marlborough had	71
John W. Weeks of Newton had	82
Blanks,	21

COUNCILLOR.

Howard B. Burke of Weymouth had	10
Guy Andrews Ham of Boston had	91
John P. Rattigan of Boston had	73
Blanks,	62

SENATOR 2ND NORFOLK.

Joseph J. Driscoll of Brookline had	69
George E. Harris of Westwood had	6
George L. Perrin of Brookline had	73
Lombard Williams of Dedham had	61
Blanks,	29

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Will S. Johnson of Franklin had	75
James H. Stafford of Franklin had	76
Herbert E. Thompson of Plainville had	62
Blanks,	23

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Albert Hess of Randolph had	4
Thomas Mullen of Canton had	50
Evan F. Richardson of Millis had	77
Elisha Nye Thayer of Braintree had	65
Blanks,	40

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

(to fill vacancy.)

Everett M. Bowker of Brookline had	66
Charles M. Donahue of Needham had	51
David Smith of Wellesley had	5
Bernard Hutchins Whitney of Dedham had	78
Blanks,	36

COUNTY TREASURER.

Henry D. Humphrey of Dedham had	74
Herbert McIntosh of Sharon had	77
Alec E. Wright of Wellesley had	5
Blanks,	80

AMENDMENT NO. 1.

Yes,	94
No,	33
Blanks,	109

AMENDMENT NO. 2.

Yes,	93
No,	31
Blanks,	112

TO PENSION LABORERS IN TOWN.

Yes,	83
No,	46
Blanks,	107

A true record.

Attest: HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.MEETING OF THE TOWN CLERKS OF THE 12th
NORFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.

A true record of the doings of the Town Clerks of Wrentham, Bellingham, Franklin, Foxborough and Plainville:

On the 15th day of November the Town Clerks of the above named towns met in Franklin, examined and compared transcript of the record of the vote cast on the 5th

day of November, 1912, for one Representative in the General Court for the 12th District in Norfolk County, and ascertained that Herbert E. Thompson of Plainville was duly elected, and issued a certificate of his election, one of which was transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at Boston, and one to the Constable of Plainville to be served by him on said Thompson. The vote:

	Johnson	Stafford	Thompson	B'r'k T'l		Town Clerks
Wrentham	93	35	143	25—296		David T. Stone
Bellingham	75	76	62	23—236		Henry A. Whitney
Franklin	268	312	287	80—947		Orestes T. Doe
Foxborough	254	135	187	82—658		Howard E. Newton
Plainville	64	15	205	21—305		Theodore E. A. Fuller

A true copy.

Attest: HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk,

Auditor's Report.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

In submitting to you my second and final report as your Auditor, I wish to express my appreciation of the way in which the various departments of the town have carried out their system during the past year of keeping the town records. Of course the system is quite complicated in some respects, and not as practical as it could be, but the time is coming, sooner or later, when every city and town in the state will have to establish the state system of keeping city or town records.

I have examined the books of the various departments of the town and have found them to be in correct balance to date.

I would suggest that during the ensuing year something be done in regard to liquidating the town debt. The note which I refer you to is the L. F. Thayer Note for \$2,000.00. It might be of interest to you as citizens to be informed that the same has been in existence for the past 15 years, during which time the town has been paying 4% interest.

I would also suggest that during the ensuing year the Cemetery Trust Fund be separated from the town's money and placed in a fund of itself. During my time as Auditor I find that the town uses this money in payment of town debt, etc., which I would judge improper. I have investigated this matter with the Bureau of Statistics, and their opinion is that money left for Cemetery Trust Fund purposes should not be used for anything other than that purpose.

The Treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditures, and he holds in his possession receipts and receipted bills to that effect.

I would recommend that the appropriations of the Selectmen for the ensuing year be adopted.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY.

Auditor.

Selectmen's Report.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The Board of Selectmen present the following annual report for the year ending January 31, 1912, and in doing so would respectfully ask your earnest consideration of the suggestions herein contained.

There have been forty-eight meetings of the board held during the year, records of which are on file.

The petition of citizens, relative to a change in the carfare from Crook's Corner to the Center, and which was referred to this board, was looked into by the chairman, and on his report to the board it was deemed inadvisable for the board to take any action.

We were directed by the State Board of Health to appoint an Inspector of Slaughtering. Mr: Carroll E. White was appointed by the board to serve in that capacity until the first day of April, 1913, and we recommend that the town establish a salary for said inspector.

We would suggest that a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of installing a Heating Plant, Electric Lights and Water, in the Town Hall the coming year, as the time will soon arrive when all town business must be transacted in the Town House, and to do so under the present conditions is a hardship to those employed in transacting the town business. We believe all of the above can be done at a very small expense and to the greater comfort of those using the building.

We would offer the suggestion of removing the Hearse House, at the Center cemetery, to the rear of the Town House for the Highway, Tree Warden and Forest Fire de-

partments as a storage tool house, and that the hearse therein be remodeled for Forest Fire fighting purposes.

We would recommend, also, that a committee be appointed to look into the suggestion of purchasing a Traction Stone Crusher. There are several makes in the market that can be moved by its own power, right on to the job. Our roads are in such a deplorable condition especially at the south part of the town, that it would, in our opinion, be one of the wisest and most economical things that could be done, as there are thousands of tons of small stones lying by the sides of the roads, all over the town, which really ought to be in them, and with a crusher, such as we suggest, the stones could be used to the very best advantage in the building of permanent roads, as well as on repair work.

We would move the annulment of the vote, now on the Town Records, or that part of it, whereby no one can be appointed Superintendent of Streets who owns "Horses and Teams." In our opinion it is a great handicap to the best management of highway work and to the interest of the town, as well as an injustice to those owning teams, who might be best qualified to fill the position.

We recommend an appropriation of \$3,000 for the Highway Department, \$2,000 of which for ordinary repair work, and \$1,000 for some permanent piece of road to be agreed upon by a committee, representing each section of the town.

The board deemed it inexpedient to purchase any extensive Forest Fire fighting equipment the past year.

The board, as Street Lighting Committee, report that no changes have been made in the conditions of Street Lighting the past year except to have one light on Hartford Avenue moved.

The board, as Board of Registrars, have been in session for registration of voters six times.

The board, as Board of Health, have attended to the various duties which have come to their notice as such.

We would recommend the paying off of the L. F. Thayer Note of \$2,000, as was recommended at a hearing held in the State House, in relation to such matters.

We would ask that an appropriation of \$60.00 be made for the purchasing of suitable tables, etc., for the Board of Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Selectmen's use in their respective offices.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL F. RYAN,

DAVID G. JONES,

ALBERT G. MOWRY,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

Selectmen's Financial Statement.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
From Emergency fund,	157 17
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	\$1,357 17

Paid Selectmen.

Carroll E. White, (1911 salary)	\$25 00
Michael F. Ryan, "	15 00
Henry W. Pickering, "	15 00
Michael F. Ryan, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	32 10
David G. Jones, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	22 95
Albert G. Mowry, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	22 95
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	\$133 00

Paid Board of Registrars.

Carroll E. White, (1911 salary,)	10 00
Michael F. Ryan, "	-10 00
Henry W. Pickering, "	10 00
Henry A. Whitney, "	10 00

Michael F. Ryan, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	9 15
David G. Jones, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	9 15
Albert G. Mowry, (11 months salary to January 31, '13,)	9 15

	67 45

Paid Overseers of the Poor.

Otto L. Bullard, (1911 salary,)	50 00
Henry W. Pickering, "	15 00
Felix S. Brothers, "	15 00

	80 00

Paid School Committee.

Timothy E. Foley, (Bal. 1909 salary,)	5 00
Timothy E. Foley, (Bal. 1910 salary,)	5 00
Clarence E. Crooks, (1911 salary,)	10 00
Timothy E. Foley, "	20 00
Henry A. McCarthy, "	10 00
James O. Richardson, "	10 00

	60 00

Paid Board of Assessors.

Orville C. Rhodes, (Bal. 1911,)	15 00
Carroll E. White, "	20 00
Orville C. Rhodes, March 4 to Janu- ary 16, 1912,)	121 87
Carroll E. White, (March 4 to Janu- ary 16, 1912,)	121 50
Charles S. Carter, (March 4 to July 12, 1912,)	116 50

	394 87

Paid Janitor of Town Hall.

James L. Graves (1911 services),	15 00
Walter F. Adams,	25 00

	40 00

Paid Moderator of Town Meeting March 4, 1912.	
Warren E. Fairbanks,	5 00
Paid Town Clerk.	
Henry A. Whitney (salary and fees, 1911),	50 70
Paid Town Treasurer.	
Walter H. Thayer (1911 salary)	100 00
Paid Dog Officer.	
Walter H. Thayer (1911),	10 00
Paid Tax Collector	
Walter H. Thayer (1%, years 1908, '9, '10, '11),	174 75
Paid Forest Fire Warden.	
James A. Spencer (1911 salary),	10 00
Paid Auditor.	
Michael J. Kennedy (1911 salary),	25 00
" " (11 months sal- ary to Jan. 31, '13),	22 90
	47 90
Paid Inspector of Animals and Provisions.	
Carroll E. White (1911 services),	60 00
" " (service Apr. 1, '12 to Jan. 24, '13),	25 00
	85 00
Paid Ballot Clerk and Tellers.	
March 4, 1912, town meeting,	20 00
April 30, 1912, Presidential primaries	8 00
Sept. 27, 1912, State	8 00
Nov. 5, 1912, State and Presid'l Elec'n	20 50
	56 50

Paid Constables.

Walter H. Thayer,	(1911 services)	5 00
James Kennelly,	"	9 00
Edwin M. Bennett,	"	7 00
Hiram E. Crooks,	"	5 00
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		26 00

Paid Police Officers.

John J. McMahon,	(1912 services)	2 00
Harry Camp,	"	2 00
Charles H. Dunning,	"	2 00
Joseph A. Palmer,	"	2 00
Walter F. Adams,	"	2 00
John M. Hart,	"	2 00
Willie F. Wales,	"	2 00
Alexander Bergeron,	"	2 00
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		16 00
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		\$1,357 17

REPAIRS OF TOWN BUILDING.

Appropriation,	\$150 00
Paid.	
Edgar A. Chase,	49 13
Edgar M. Slocomb,	14 40
Woonsocket Lumber Co.,	22 36
Walter F. Adams,	3 62
Avery, Woodbury Co.,	7 25
Staples & Gould,	6 00
Unexpended balance,	47 24
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	150 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation,	50 00
Paid James O. Richardson, (as Comm.)	50 00

CEMETERIES.

Appropriation,	30 00
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From emergency fund,	14 20
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	44 20

Paid.	
Elbridge A. Rhodes, (1911 bill)	10 00
S. Fred Metcalf, (1912 bill)	10 00
Elbridge A. Rhodes	10 00
Henry A. Whitney, "	14 20
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	44 20

CEMETERY TRUST FUND.

Paid	
S. Fred Metcalf, (1912)	24 50
Orville C. Rhodes, "	9 35
Henry A. Whitney, "	22 50
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	56 35

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation,	100 00
 Paid.	
Henry W. Pickering, (1911 bill)	2 00
J. M. French, M. D., "	2 00
Walter W. Watson, undertaker, "	6 00
Milford Hospital,	5 00
Town of Franklin,	9 00
Henry Brooks,	21 60
Samuel Butler, M. D.,	2 50
Carroll E. White, (inspection, slaugh- tering)	25 00
Michael F. Ryan,	2 00
David G. Jones,	2 00
Unexpended balance,	22 90
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	100 00

PRINTING.

Appropriation,	200 00
 Paid.	
Milford Journal Co.,	3 50
H. Dangle & Co ,	17 00

A. W. Brownell,	1 00
Milford Journal Co.,	10 75
" " "	10 00
" " "	5 50
" " "	2 90
" " "	110 15
G. M. Billings,	9 75
A. W. Brownell,	1 00
Milford Journal Co.,	8 00
" " "	5 75
Unexpended balance,	14 70
	200 00

TREE WARDEN.

(Including Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Beetle.)

Appropriation,	300 00
Paid.	
Henry A. Whitney, (1911 bill)	8 00
" " "	24 70
" " "	32 95
" " "	12 10
C. H. Towle,	30 00
Smith & Thayer,	4 50
Henry A. Whitney,	109 67
" " "	35 24
" " "	35 80
Unexpended balance,	7 04
	300 00

FOREST FIRES AND EQUIPMENT.

Appropriation,	400 00
Paid.	
James A. Spencer,	1 40
L. F. Thayer, (equipment)	14 45
Badger Fire Ext. Co., (equip. repairs)	4 00
L. F. Thayer, (for et al)	330 66
Arnold Hoffman & Co., Inc.,	5 17
O. J. Fisher, (for et al)	9 60

George E. Thayer, (1911 bill)	.1 00
Unexpended balance,	33 72
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	400 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation,	1,200 00
Paid.	
Union Light & Power Co.,	736 08
Edison Elec. Ill. Co.,	441 12
Mrs. Robert Allison, (1911 bill)	1 70
" "	1 18
Unexpended balance,	19 92
	—
	1,200 00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

(For detailed account see Superintendent's report.)

Appropriation,	2,000 00
From Street Railway tax,	233 09
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	2,233 09
Paid as per Superintendent's report,	2,233 09

STATEMENT OF STREET RAILWAY TAX.

State, Street Ry. tax,	204 88
Excise tax, M. A. & W. St. Ry.,	339 44
" " M. & A. St. Ry.,	24 22
	—
	568 54
Paid Highway department,	233 09
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Unexpended balance,	\$335 45

INDIGENT SOLDIERS' AID.

Appropriation,	100 00
Balance unexpended,	100 00

SUPPRESSION OF ILLEGAL SALE OF LIQUORS
AND OTHER NUISANCES.

Appropriation,	150 00
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Paid.

Walter H. Thayer,	2 00
Balance unexpended,	<u>148 00</u>
	150 00

STATE AID.

Appropriation,	600 00
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Paid.

James O. Richardson,	72 00
Eliphalet S. Sears,	72 00
Joseph M. Burr,	72 00
Thomas B. Spooner,	72 00
Ephraim Brown,	30 00
Diana Spooner,	12 00
Harriet N. Burr,	48 00
Marion Williams,	48 00
Amanda Adams,	48 00
Balance unexpended,	<u>126 00</u>
	600 00

INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,	500 00
From emergency fund,	<u>187 11</u>
	687 11

Paid.

Art Metal Construction Co.,	130 00
Carroll E. White,	10 00
E. A. Simpson,	2 30
Michael F. Ryan, (1911 Selectmen Ex.)	10 00
E. L. Burdakin, (deeds to Apr. 1, '12)	10 00
Warren F. Kneeland,	3 00
L. F. Thayer,	20 91
Henry A. Whitney,	247 20
" " (Town Clerk Ex. '11)	10 25
Staples & Gould,	1 25
Walter F. Adams,	1 50
Michael J. Kennedy, (Auditor Ex. '11)	9 33

Walter H. Thayer, (tax allow's '10)	14 36
" " (postage, '11-'12)	33 00
" " (care fountain, '11-'12)	7 00
Henry W. Pickering, ('11 Sel'men Ex.)	7 00
V. H. Blackington,	5 88
Orville C. Rhodes, (postage)	1 36
E. R. Swift,	8 50
James Monroe,	25 00
Handel O. Cook & Co.,	5 50
Clifford A. Cook,	5 00
Ralph G. White,	2 00
William F. Wales,	80
Geo. Spooner,	2 00
Clarke Ellis & Sons, (1911 bill)	50
Edward A. Belcher, 1910-1912,	1 00
Michael F. Ryan, ('12 Sel'men Ex.)	10 40
Albert G. Mowry,	9 60
David G. Jones,	14 54
Michael J. Kennedy, ('12 Auditor Ex.)	11 08
W. & L. E. Gurley,	66 85
	687 11

EMERGENCY FUND.

Appropriation,	400 00
Transferred to Incidentals,	187 11
" Town Officers,	157 17
" Cemeteries;	14 20
Unexpended balance,	41 52
	400 00

UNEXPENDED BALANCES.

Board of Health,	22 90
Forest Fire, fighting and equipment,	33 72
Indigent Soldiers' Aid,	100 00
Printing,	14 70
Repair of town building,	47 24
Street lighting,	19 92
State Aid,	126 00

Suppression of illegal sale of liquor or other nuisances,	148 00
Street railway tax,	335 45
Tree Warden, etc.,	7 04
Emergency Fund,	41 52

	896 49

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS HAVE PAID.

Town Officers,	1,357 17
Repairs of town building,	102 76
Memorial Day,	50 00
Cemeteries,	44 20
Cemetery Trust Fund,	56 35
Board of Health,	77 10
Printing,	185 30
Tree Warden,	292 96
Forest fires and equipment,	366 28
Street lighting,	1,180 08
Highway department,	2,233 09
Suppression of illegal sale of liquor and other nuisances,	2 00
State Aid.	474 00
Incidentals,	687 11

	7,108 40

SELECTMEN'S ESTIMATE FOR 1913

Support of schools, (incomes and)	6,300 00
Support of poor, (incomes and)	1,400 00
Highways, (for repair work)	2,000 00
" (for permanent work)	1,000 00
Repair of town building,	150 00
Town Officers,	1,200 00
Incidentals,	500 00
Street lighting,	1,200 00
Printing,	200 00
Interest,	800 00
Town debt, (Sch. house notes)	1,000 00
Insurance,	175 00

Cemeteries,	30 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Library, (incomes and)	300 00
Indigent Soldiers' Aid,	50 00
State Aid,	600 00
Tree Warden, including Gypsy and brown tail moth and elm beetle suppression,	300 00
Board of Health,	100 00
Emergency Fund,	400 00
For furnishing town offices,	60 00
	\$17,815 00

STATEMENT.

OUTSTANDING BILLS,

Contracted Before Jan. 31, 1911, Including Salaries of
Town Officers and Paid the Current Year.

Board of Health,	\$ 24 00
Cemeteries,	10 00
Forest Fires,	1 00
Incidentals,	221 44
Highways,	41 34
Printing,	131 65
Town Officers, salaries, etc.,	539 45
Tree Warden,	32 70
	\$1,001 58

Estimated Bills Outstanding at the Close of the Year,
January 31, 1913.

TOWN OFFICERS,

Including Salaries Due from March 4, 1912, to
January 31, 1913—11 Months.

Overseers of the Poor,	\$ 73 30
School Committee,	36 67
Constables,	13 74

Town Treasurer,	91 67
Town Clerk, also Registrar,	32 09
Forest Fire Warden,	9 17
Dog Officer,	9 17
Tax Collectors, @ 1%,	247 95
Town Clerk, (incidental expenses)	35 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sealer of Weight and Measure Standard, repair of,	7 00
Assessors' Cards, 1000 copies,	9 75
Printing 1912 Town Reports, etc.,	111 75
Street Lighting,	75
Board of Health	99 00
State Treasurer, (slaughtering Insp. stamps)	00 00

\$777 01

BILLS OUTSTANDING DUE THE TOWN JAN. 31, 1913.

Forest Fires.

From N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.,	\$44 00
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Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL F. RYAN,

DAVID G. JONES,

ALBERT G. MOWRY,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

Report of the Superintendent of Highways.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham :

GENTLEMEN:—The work on the highway the past year has been a very hard proposition, owing to the greatly increased heavy traffic of automobiles. In the south part of the town the roads are very sandy and the heavy machines tear them up faster than they can be repaired with the material found in that part to work with. The very heavy rains that came in the early spring and summer washed the roads badly in that part of the town, and it cost a lot of money to just put them back in passable condition. If this could have been spent in repairs it would have made them a lot better.

I think there have been some repairs made on nearly every road in the town this year, and some of the back roads were in a dangerous condition, as there had been nothing done on them for a number of years.

EDWIN Z. IRONS,

Superintendent of Streets.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS.

Amount received from Treasurer:

By Appropriation,	\$2,000.00
Street Railway tax,	568.54
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	\$2,568.54

EXPENDITURES.

Amount paid for labor.	\$1,272.30
" " teams,	594.05
" " bridges and railing,	108.90
" " gravel purchased,	56.44
" " miscellaneous items,	201.40
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	\$2,233.09

LABOR.

Francis Gelinas,	174½	hours	@ 20c	\$ 34.90
Joseph "	72½	"	"	14.50
Napoleon "	5	"	"	1.00
J. M. Hart,	508 1/2	"	"	101.70
W. H. Penn,	416	"	"	83.20
Joe Carter,	26	"	"	5.20
M. J. Connolly,	49	"	"	9.80
John Smith,	121 1/2	"	"	24.30
W. D. Bates,	2	"	"	.40
William Miner,	86	"	"	17.20
C. G. Gagian,	168 1/2	"	"	33.70
Frank Gay,	309	"	"	61.80
Joe Cassidy,	170	"	"	34.00
A. J. Willey,	33 1/2	"	"	6.70
Henry Kenelly,	18	"	"	3.60

Timothy Foley,	40	"	"	8 00
Joe Pluff,	26	"	"	5 20
Frank McCue,	30	"	"	6 00
Henry Ratty,	82	"	"	16 40
Charles Felton,	29	"	"	5 80
L. A. Rhodes,	73	"	"	14 60
A. A "	148	"	"	29 60
Stanley Cheeny,	24	"	"	4 80
C. A. McKenzie,	23	"	"	4 60
W. F. Wales,	12	"	"	2 40
E. B. Whiting,	10	"	"	2 00
E. C. Webber,	59	"	"	11 80
Oscar Russen,	129	"	"	25 80
William Allison,	67	"	@ 15c	10 05
Wilder Gardener	230	"	@ 20c	46 00
Charles O'Connor,	195	"	"	39 00
Lester Brown,	81	"	"	16 20
E. C. "	483	"	"	96 60
Geo. Foster,	126	"	"	25 20
D. Ratty,	50	"	"	10 20
Edmund Rowe,	~36	"	"	7 20
E. Z. Irons,	308	"	"	61 60
Frank Davis,	206	"	"	41 20
E. A. Rhodes,	188	"	"	37 60
O. Cook,	36	"	"	7 20
Arthur Richard,	36	"	"	7 20
Willie Cook,	38	"	"	7 60
George Spooner,	75½	"	"	15 15
F. Blanchard,	38	"	"	7 60
George Willey,	105	"	"	21 00
E. Sears,	28½	"	"	5 70
George Prentiss,	28½	"	"	5 70
Albert Albee,	90	"	"	18 00
D. G. Jones,	5	"	"	1 00
Edwin Z. Irons,	1082½	"	"	216 50

\$1,272 30

TWO-HORSE TEAMS.

Napoleon Gelinas,	70½ hours	@ 30c	\$21 15
A. M. Whipple,	26 "	"	7 80
W. D. Bates,	2 "	"	60
M. J. Connelly,	49 "	"	14 70
F. L. Thayer,	308 "	"	92 40
E. C. Weller,	152½ "	"	45 75
F. S. Brothers,	161 "	"	48 30
E. Mignault,	26 "	"	7 80
E. A. Rhodes,	407½ "	"	122 25
A. P. Russen,	129 "	"	38 70
J. S. Cox,	81 "	"	24 30
			\$423 75

ONE-HORSE TEAMS.

L. F. Thayer,	1 hours	@ 20c	\$ 20
C. A. Brown,	92½ "	"	18 50
E. Z. Irons,	758 "	"	151 60
			\$170 30

BRIDGES AND RAILINGS.

George White, 8 posts,		\$ 64
" 6 rails,		60
E. A. Chase, rails,		11 91
" posts,		2 28
E. A. Rhodes, rails,		45 00
" posts,		6 00
C. A. Crooks, chestnut plank,		12 44
F. C. Fields, " "		30 03
		\$108 90

GRAVEL PURCHASED.

P. F. Allen,	30 loads	@ .04c	\$ 1 20
Barard,	20 "	"	80
Chas. Partridge,	83 "	"	3 32

McCarthy,	20	"	"	80
E. Taft,	63	"	"	2 52
N. Gelinas,	107	"	"	4 28
N. J. Rhodes,	55	"	"	2 20
Adlison Bullard (in 1911),	18	"	"	72
Frank Dawley,	"	40	"	1 60
E. F. Mignault,	14	"	@ .06c	84
F. S. Brothers,	280	,	@ .04c	11 20
Robert Allison,	65	"	"	2 60
Frank Dawley,	147	"	"	5 88
Charles Paul,	87	"	"	3 48
Herbert Cook (in 1911),	157	"	"	6 28
Addison Bullard,	"	218	"	8 72

				\$56 44

MISCELLANEOUS.

Nelson L. Huff, repairs on road machine,	\$ 7 35
Henry Willard, pipe and fitting,	75
Houle Bros., repairs on road machine,	8 75
Staple & Gould, tools,	4 92
" " dynamite,	10 80
J. S. Cox, tools,	4 15
" " nails,	3 28
New England Metal Culvert Co., road drag,	23 09
" " "	62 64
E. A. Simpson, painting new signs and relettering signs,	32 95
R. G. White, painting signs,	3 00
J. W. Davison, tile pipe,	1 50
E. Z. Irons, freight,	3 02
Penn Metal Co.,	30 00
C. A. Dunning, sharpening tools,	4 20
C. E. White,	1 00

	\$201 40

BILLS OF 1911.

Penn Metal Co.,		\$30 00
J. W. Davison, tile pipe,		1 50
Addison Bullard, 18 loads gravel @ .04c		72
Frank Dawley; 40 "	" "	1 60
Herbert Cook, 157 "	" "	6 28
Geo. White. posts and rails,		1 24
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		\$41 34

EDWIN Z. IRONS,
Superintendent of Streets.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—Regarding the sealing of weights and measures this year, I have inspected all seals, weights and measures used in public places or for selling goods otherwise, that I know of in the town. Owing to the purchase of some new equipment the work was delayed until the latter part of the year. In going through the work I noticed that some scales, which have been out of order, have neither been sealed or condemned in the past year of 1911.

EDWIN Z. IRONS,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Tree Warden's Report and Report On Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths.

To the Citizens of Bellingham and the Selectmen:

The close relation of the work included in that belonging to the Tree Warden and Supt. of the Suppression of the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, caused the voters of the town to think it wise to consolidate the appropriation.

The Selectmen appointed your Tree Warden as the Supt. of the suppression work; and this selection was acceptable to the State Commissioner, as is necessary in such appointments.

The caution, relative to not cutting trees bordering on the highways, without consulting the Tree Warden, is renewed this year.

The fight against the elm leaf beetle has been waged, as in previous years, with much the same effect. "Keeping at it," seems to be the only way of preserving our shade trees. A few of the elms should be "braced" the coming year to keep them from splitting. One tree has been condemned and cut.

The "scouting" this year has been thoroughly done, and the brown tails have not been found, on the whole, as thick as last year; they were noticeably less in the south part of town, but in special localities at the north and center they have increased. There has been discovered a slight increase in the number of Gypsy moth nests, but more were found in South Bellingham. The nests have all been destroyed. Some of the trees, where the nests are found are old and in such condition that the State Commissioner will order quite an amount of work on them with tin, etc. Property owners are more interested than formerly in the work of the "Scouters," and in getting information that they can use to their advantage.

The State Inspector has visited us a number of times the past year and looked over the locality where the nests are found; also the past year a U. S. Inspector of Moths has made us a visit.

I would suggest to the land owners—those who have apple trees and other variety that are scattered about in their pastures, going to decay and full of holes, a regular breeding place for Gypsy moths—cut them down and clean them up. For expenses see Selectmen's report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

Tree Warden.

Report of Overseers of the Poor

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The Overseers of the Poor present the following report for the year ending Feb. 1, 1913:

The Town Farm and Almshouse have been in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Chase the past year.

INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE.

	AGE	WEEKS AT ALMSHOUSE
Sarah Cross,	56	52
Clarissa P. Adams,	60	52
Mary Watt,	67	52
John H. Eaton,	86	52
Wm. E. Averhill,	76	52
Dexter Bates.	76	52

Repairs at Almshouse have been made, costing \$85.89, charged to repair of Town Buildings. Cow barn has been painted at expense of this department. Almshouse needs painting on outside. State Board of Charity have ordered better bathing facilities, a lavatory and water closet to be installed.

A LIST OF PROPERTY SITUATED AT THE TOWN FARM IN BELLINGHAM, AS APPRAISED BY THE ASSESSORS OF TAXES, JANUARY 31, 1913.

Land and buildings,	\$5,000 00
14 cows, 1 bull, 4 young stock,	970 00
Wagons and sleds,	325 00
Horses,	575 00
Household furniture,	375 00
Small tools,	175 00

Harness and blankets,	100 00
Hay in barns,	375 00
Farm machinery,	300 00
Incubater and brooders,	20 00
Ensilage,	225 00
Lumber and posts,	100 00
Cord wood,	120 00
Stove wood,	125 00
Potatoes and vegetables,	75 00
Fowls,	125 00
Grain,	110 00
2 hogs and pigs,	45 00
Coal and oil,	50 00
Bone cutter,	10 00
Small groceries,	75 00
Fertilizers,	6 00
Vinegar and barrels,	7 00
Milk cans,	25 00
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	\$9,313 00

RECEIPTS FROM FARM.

Fowls and eggs,	\$ 381 45
Milk,	1,691 11
Calves,	45 00
Junk,	7 95
Pigs and pork,	170 00
Vegetables and fruit,	39 30
Stock,	313 00
Use of bull and boar,	62 00
Labor,	42 80
Transportation of scholars,	360 00
Wood, lumber and posts,	298 07
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	\$3,410 68

FROM OTHER SOURCES.

From state,	\$11 60
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From Wrentham,	42 54
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	54 14

Total receipts,	\$3,464 82
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EXPENSES OF TOWN FARM.

Groceries and meats,	\$ 573 25
Dry goods and shoes,	62 23
Hardware and seeds,	135 34
Labor,	709 00
Farm sundries,	539 96
Stock,	286 25
House sundries,	134 85
Blacksmithing and wagon repairs,	59 45
Doctors and medicines,	11 05
Grain,	1,433 50
Salary of Supt. and Matron,	491 70
	—
	\$4,436 58

OUTSIDE AID.

Lucy Woodman, settlement Medway,	\$52 00
Lucius Olney Cook, settlement Wren-	
tham,	38 00
	—
Incidentals,	90 00
	—
	14 39
	—
Total expense,	\$4,540 97

Overseers have approved bills and issued orders on Town Treasurer Nos. 1422 to 1472 in-	
clusive, amounting to	\$4,540 97
They hold his receipts for	3,464 82
Town appropriation,	1,400 00
Gain in appraisals,	203 00

O. L. BULLARD,
H. W. PICKERING,
F. S. BROTHERS,
Overseers of Poor.

NOTE:—In this report you will notice that the expenditures of the fiscal year do not correspond with the expenditures of the Town Treasurer. In the report of the previous year you will observe that there were bills amounting to \$273.18 that had to be retained until this year's appropriation, which were approved by this department and taken into consideration in their expenditures of 1911, but were held in my possession until funds were appropriated to meet them. These bills were paid out of this year's appropriation, and as it was necessary they should appear in last year's report as part of their expenditures, they do not appear in their report of this year.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,
Auditor.

Memorial Day.

Memorial exercises were held at Bellingham Centre, Sunday, May 26, 1912, by Post 60, G. A. R., of Franklin, accompanied by the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps. The exercises were as follows: Prayer by Post Chaplain, recitation by Myrtle Spencer, address by Rev. W. W. Wakeman. The G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans, assisted by the children, decorated the soldiers' graves with flowers, after which the Sons of Veterans marched to the Soldiers' Monument and held services and several of the G. A. R. made short speeches. Exercises were closed by singing America.

Memorial exercises were held at North Bellingham, May 26, 1912. The Grand Army Post of West Medway sent a detail from the post and decorated the soldiers' graves.

The services at Rakeville Cemetery were in charge of Mr. Pickering of the Woonsocket post, and appropriate exercises were carried out by members of the post.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES BELLINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TOWN HALL, BELLINGHAM, WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 1912.

PROGRAM

March to Soldiers' Monument.

Music,

The New Hail Columbia
SCHOOLS.

Prayer,

Rev. W. W. Wakeman

Recitation,

The Flowers We Gather

RUTH FAIRBANKS.

- Song, Memory Day
 SOUTH INTERMEDIATE.
- Recitation, Our Colors
 NORTH PRIMARY.
- Music, The American Hymn
 SCHOOLS.
- Recitation, The Sleeping Gray
 MASSEY INTERMEDIATE.
- Recitation, A Song for Our Flag
 MAY FLANNAGAN.
- Music, Star Spangled Banner
 SCHOOLS.
- Flag Exercise, NORTH INTERMEDIATE.
- Recitation, The Mother of a Soldier
 RUTH UNWIN.
- Music, To Thee, O Country
 SCHOOLS.
- Exercise and Song, Columbia, Gem of the Ocean
 SOUTH PRIMARY.
- Recitation, Boy Billy
 MARJORIE SYMMES.
- Flag Drill, MASSEY PRIMARY.
- Music, America
 AUDIENCE AND SCHOOLS.
- Benediction.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from town,	\$50 00
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EXPENDITURES

Paid Franklin post,	\$10 00
West Medway post,	5 00
Woonsocket post,	5 00
Transportation of schools,	10 00
Mr. Atwell for printing programs,	2 00
W. F. Adams, care of monument,	5 00
H. A. Whitney, Revolutionary flags,	3 70
W. D. Howards, flowers for mon't,	2 64
S. Francis Thayer, fertilizer,	1 70
Alonzo Whitney, cleaning mon't,	50
Myra Moore, bouquets,	1 25
Paint and painting urns,	1 25
Expenses,	2 00
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	\$50 04

JAMES O. RICHARDSON,
For the Committee.

Report of Cattle Inspector.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—The Dept. of Animal Industry has taken the place of the Cattle Bureau, with Fred F. Walker as chief. The Dept. has more power to enforce proper conditions where cattle are kept. Mr. Walker has appointed a number of deputies to assist him and each one has certain towns and inspectors to look after. This Dept. has no desire to be unreasonable and instructs its agents to try and have the farmers work with them for better conditions and better stock. Any one bringing in cattle from outside of the state should get a permit to do so, as they must be tuberculin tested. Where any one has reason to believe any cattle are tuberculous, it is the lawful duty to notify the Inspector, and if found so, and they have been owned six months in the state, the owner is paid a sum not to exceed \$40 for any one creature.

I thank the owners of cattle for their help in the past in regard to both these matters, separating suspicious cases and those coming from outside the state. Please keep on and tell others to do the same. There is no question but the cattle are better than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL, E. WHITE,

Inspector of Animals.

Report of Inspector of Slaughtering and Provisions.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—The law now requires all cattle, sheep or swine to be inspected and stamped if all right or condemned if not. This applies to the owner of one head, who may be intending to keep it for his own use, as well as when it is to be sold.

Any one making a business of killing hogs, etc., at any one place, must get a license to do so. Please do your part in notifying the Inspector when you intend to slaughter, that you may have your meat properly stamped.

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL E. WHITE,
Inspector of Slaughtering and Provisions

Assessors' Report.

The Assessors of the Town of Bellingham present the following list of the valuation and tax for the year 1912:

STATISTICS.

Number of persons assessed on polls,	422
Number of persons assessed on polls only,	217
Number of residents assessed on property,	579
Number of non-residents assessed,	257
Whole number of persons assessed,	796
Number of horses assessed,	234
Number of cows assessed,	443
Number of other cattle assessed,	87
Number of swine assessed,	80
Number of fowls assessed,	4,451
Number of dwelling houses assessed,	373
Number of acres of land assessed,	11,061
Value of personal estate,	\$159,260
Value of real estate,	799,860
	\$959,120

Rate of taxation, \$16.00 per \$1,000.

ORVILLE C. RHODES,
CARROLL E. WHITE,
Assessors of Bellingham.

Tax Collector's Report.

1905 TAXES.

DR.

Balance due Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912,	\$46 80
Interest due Treasurer,	19 65
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	\$66 45

CR.

By amt. paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1913,	46 80
Interest,	19 65
	—————
	66 45

1906 TAXES.

DR.

Balance due Treasurer Feb 1, 1912,	96 40
Interest paid " " 1913,	34 70
	—————
	131 10

CR.

By amt. paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1913,	96 40
Interest,	34 70
	—————
	131 10

MICHAEL F. RYAN,
Collector for 1905-1906.

1909 TAXES.

DR.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912,	\$25 62
Interest collected,	2 54
	—————
	\$28 16

C.R.

By amt. paid Treasurer,	25	62
Interest collected,	2	54
		28 16

1910 TAXES.

D.R.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912,	932	45
Interest collected,	90	84
		1,023 29

C.R.

By amt. paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1913,	884	87
Interest collected,	90	84
Taxes on property held by town,	3	81
Amount of abatements,	43	77
		1,023 29

1911 TAXES.

D.R.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912,	3,987	63
Interest collected,	163	47
Later assessments,	12	80
		4,163 90

C.R.

By amt. paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1913,	3,795	09
Interest collected,	163	47
Amount of abatements,	196	84
Taxes on property held by town,	8	50
		4,163 90

1912 TAXES.

D.R.

To amount to be collected,	16,553	58
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Interest collected,	12 15
Omitted assessments,	17 20
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	16,582 93

CR.

By amt. paid Treas. Feb. 1, 1913,	12,755 56
Interest collected,	12 15
Amount of abatements,	407 60
Taxes on property held by town,	76 72
Balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1913,	3,330 90
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	16,582 93

WALTER H. THAYER,
Collector.

SUMMARY.

UNCOLLECTED TAXES FEB. 1, 1913.

Walter H. Thayer, 1912	\$3,330 90
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MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,
Auditor.

Town Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1912	\$2,546 41
From Michael F. Ryan, 1905-'06	
tax acct.	\$ 197 55
Walter H. Thayer, 1909, '10,	
'11, '12, tax acct.	17,730 14
Walter H. Thayer, 1910,	
'11, '12 tax abatements	648 21
Walter H. Thayer, taxes on	
property held by town	
for 1910, '11, '12 taxes	89 03
John Graves, town hall rent	1 50
H. A. Whitney; town hall	
rent	1 50
Walter F. Adams, town hall	
rent	98 16
Michael F. Ryan, Fisher's	
pool room license, 1911	2 00
Selectmen, Fisher's pool	
room license, 1912	2 00
Timothy E. Foley, pool	
room license, 1912	2 00
Edgar A. Chase, license to	
slaughter	1 00
H. A. Whitney, license per-	
mit to J. E. Camp &	
Sons	50
Town of Wrentham, aid	
(poor)	42 54
Clark Ellis & Sons, return	
overpaid school acct.	
bill (school)	3 50

H. A. Whitney, insurance return premium dividend	19 19
Frank J. Dutcher, supervision (school)	416 67
F. G. Atwell, heating at South school to Oct. 1913 (school)	20 00
F. G. Atwell, local tuition (school)	2 00
Public Library, heating room (school)	6 00
Bertha Franklin, fines for books (library)	2 60
Edgar A. Chase, Town House produce (poor)	3,410 68
H. A. Whitney, material and labor as Tree Warden, 1912	10 45
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., forest fire account, 1911	208 40
Clerk of District Court, fines	191 00
Milford National Bank, borrowed money	10,000 00
Milford National Bank, allowance on 1912 check book,	10 00
Insurance on account damage on South school house (school)	83 30
County Treasurer, return dog license money, 1912 (School)	241 07
State Treasurer:	
Support sick paupers	11 60

Tuition of children, State Board of Charity (school)	105 00
State foresters, protection against forest fires	67 22
Compensation of inspectors of animals	40 00
Corporation tax, public ser- vice	10 56
Corporation tax, business	1,145 97
National bank tax	175 38
State aid	624 00
Street Railway tax	204 88
High School tuition in spec- ial cases (school)	1,087 00
Massachusetts school fund (school)	1,370 05
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	\$40,829 06

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Selectmen's orders	\$7,108 40
School Committee orders	9,643 19
Overseers of Poor orders	4,814 15
Public Library orders	248 44
Abatements of taxes to bal- ance	648 21
Taxes on property held by town	89 03
One South school note	500 00
One Commonwealth note on school house	500 00
Balance Town Hall note	2,000 00
Interest on Town note	80 00
Interest on South school notes	200 00
Interest on Commonwealth notes	166 25
Interest on Town Hall note	43 00

Borrowed money	10,000 00
Interest on borrowed money	223 56
Certification of notes	12 00
District Court	42 58
Repair State highways	159 00
State tax	1,500 00
County tax	668 24
Cash on hand	2,183 01
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	\$40,829 06

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

L. F. Thayer note, at 4 per cent.	\$2,000 00
Milford National Bank note 11, at 4 per cent. in anticipation of taxes	1,000 00
Commonwealth notes, at 3½ per cent., on school house	4,500 00
Milford Savings Bank, South school at 4 per cent.	4,500 00
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	\$12,000 00

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, including Cemetery Trust Fund and interest	\$2,183 01
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WALTER H. THAYER,
Treasurer.

CEMETERY TRUST FUND ACCOUNT.

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Name of Lot	Amount Provided	Interest Due For Year 1912	Amount Expended During Year	Bal. due on each lot Feb. 1, 1913
Lavinia Taft	\$ 50 00	\$2 00		\$13 81
A. M. Clark	30 00	1 20	"	3 60
Amos Keach	50 00	2 00	"	6 75
Dive Cushman	50 00	2 00	"	6 25
Calvin W. Rockwood	100 00	4 00	"	4 00
Benjamin E. Marble	50 00	2 00	"	4 33
Martin Rockwood	50 00	2 00	"	2 00
Ara Fiske	50 00	2 00	"	2 00
Fried Sherrburne	50 00	2 00	"	3 83
Warren Lazelle	37 50	1 50	"	3 78
George Nelson	25 00	1 00	"	1 58
E. Barbour	30 00	1 20	"	1 27
Charles A. Mason	200 00	8 00	Paid Orville C. Rhodes \$5	8 94
Avery Cook	200 00	8 00	"	4 25
Zabina Bullard	100 00	4 00	Paid S. Fred Metcalfe 3 50	14 36
B. Benedict	40 00	1 60	"	12 08
A. P. Eaton	50 00	2 00	"	1 83
Sarah Holbrook	100 00	4 00	"	2 43
Jarvis Cook	50 00	2 00	"	10 64
P. Bryant	100 00	4 00	"	3 27
Mary Metcalfe	100 00	4 00	"	7 14
Henry Young, Charles and George Thayer	75 00	3 00	"	5 58
Philip Partridge	40 00	1 60	"	1 25
David F. Adams	100 00	4 00	"	4 79
				1 81
				4 37
				\$56 35
				\$143 95
				\$1,757 50
				\$70 30

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,
Greeting:—

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in election and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Bellingham, on the Third day of March, A. D. 1913, at 10 o'clock A. M. in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following Town Officers:—Town Clerk for 1 year; Town Treasurer for 1 year; 3 Selectmen for 1 year; 1 Overseer of Poor for 3 years; 1 Assessor of Taxes for 3 years; 1 Assessor of Taxes for 2 years to fill vacancy; 1 School Committee for 3 years; 4 Constables for 1 year; 2 Library Trustees for 3 years; 3 Fence Viewers for 1 year; 1 Tree Warden for 1 year; 1 Cemetery Committee for 3 years; 1 Collector of Taxes for 1 year; 1 Auditor for 1 year. Also on the same ballot to answer the following question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? Yes or No.

The polls to be opened at 10 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers.

Article 4. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following purposes: 1st, for support of schools, including books, supplies, incidentals, transportation of scholars and salary of Superintendent; 2nd, Support of Poor; 3rd, Highways, for repair work; 4th, for permanent work; 5th, repairs of town buildings; 6th, Town Officers, pay of; 7th, incidentals; 8th, street lighting; 9th, printing; 10th, interest; 11th, Town debt; 12th, insurance; 13th, cemeteries; 14th, Memorial Day; 15th, library; 16th, indigent Soldiers' aid; 17th, State aid; 18th, Tree Warden, etc.; 19th, Board of Health; 20th, Emergency fund; 21st, for furnishing Town Offices.

Article 5. To see if the town will fix a salary for Inspector of Slaughtering, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 6. To see if the town will appoint a committee and appropriate money for installation of heat, light, and water in the Town House the coming year, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take on removing the hearse house, as in the Selectmen's recommendation, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take on purchasing a stone crusher, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 9. To see if the town will appropriate any money for planting of shrubs and fixing around Town House, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 10. To see when the several sums of money voted to be raised shall be collected and paid into the treasury;

Article 11. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize its Collector to use all means of collecting the taxes which the

Treasurer has, when appointed a Collector, and to establish a Collector's salary.

Article 13. To see if the town will allow any bills that may be presented.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to pay for surety bond for Treasurer and Collector, or act or do anything thereon.

Article 15. To see if the town will appropriate any money to stop the illegal sale of liquors or other nuisances, or act or do anything thereon.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the public places designated by vote of said town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Bellingham this Twentieth day of February, A. D. 1913.

MICHAEL F. RYAN,

DAVID G. JONES,

ALBERT G. MOWRY,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

ATTEST:

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Constable of Bellingham.

Public Library, Bellingham.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The Trustees of the Free Public Library present this eighteenth annual report.

The Board organized March 20, 1912, with W. E. Howes, chairman; Mrs. Alice A. Burr, secretary, and Miss Bertha Franklin, librarian.

There have been four regular meetings and a special meeting. A Finance committee, consisting of W. E. Howes, Miss Bertha Franklin and Mrs. Alice A. Burr were appointed to approve bills.

Books have been bought quarterly and approved by the Board.

The carriers, W. E. Howes and Alice A. Burr, have exchanged books to the branches each six weeks.

The co-operative spirit shown by the Free Public Library Commission of our state in requesting the filing of a report of the administration of our library and the lending bulletins, addresses, letters and books, are acts of interest.

The Library would like to obtain papers, documents, pictures, or anything of literary value relating to the history of our town. A table and lamp are our new furnishings. Our accession list was placed in the town vault by Walter H. Thayer, Town Clerk.

Like every other commodity, the price of books is higher, and few books can be bought.

The book givers were: Free Public Library Commission for the State, Mr. Francis Blake, Miss Coolidge, A. R. Graves, David G. Jones, Miss Bertha Franklin, and magazines were given by Mrs. G. E. O'Connor, Miss Mae Hunter,

Miss Abbie Pickering. A reference table was given by W. E. Howes. Our town is giving in many ways, and we trust some good things are flowing back to all who share in our library life.

We ask for an appropriation of \$300.

WESLEY E. HOWES,
DAVID G. JONES,
BERTHA FRANKLIN,
OLIVE COOK,
MAY S. WRIGHT,
ALICE BURR,

Trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation.	\$250 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Books,	\$131 99
Librarian's salary,	65 00
Janitor,	5.00
Heating,	6 00
Incidentals, including traveling expenses, printing, supplies, fixtures, etc.,	40 45
Unexpended balance in Town Treasurer's hands,	1 56
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	\$250 00

Paid to Town Treasurer fines from central and branch libraries,	\$2 60
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Submitted by Trustees,

WESLEY E. HOWES, Chairman,
ALICE A. BURR, Secretary,
BERTHA FRANKLIN, Librarian,
OLIVE COOK,
MAY S. WRIGHT,
DAVID G. JONES.

Librarian's Report.

BELLINGHAM.

To Board of Trustees of Bellingham Free Public Library:

I herewith submit the annual report for the year ending Feb. 1, 1913.

That the Library is no longer a place where books only are given out and taken in on opening days, but a workshop for which the Librarian ought to work with all her heart and soul and mind within and without is plain.

The Library has seen busy days, and we trust returns of profit by the encouragement from readers, advisers and children.

Each year we aim to do something better. Note the list of books elsewhere in the report alphabetically arranged by titles.

Sometimes we hear it said, "Why did you buy that book, so few read it?" But we have observed that the influence from that book had radiated into more than one life in helping, may be, choosing a vocation, or giving more know-hows on farm, in shop, on railroad or at school. There is a healthy appetite for more books. What shall we reject? A step toward helping history scholars is setting apart a table for their use. Popular Mechanics, our magazine subscription, is much read. You will look surprised to see primary children hugging a book. Perhaps that child cannot read, but his older brother can. It makes children happy to carry a book themselves, and it is opening a path which they will follow in years to come. The chances are increasing for pupils remaining readers after school days, for enthusiasm is being planted. The companionship for books for lonely lives is remembered.

WANTED:—Voters to know that the library system has mistakes, but they ought to help us work, like beavers, to gnaw, paddle and spat, to correct mistakes and work for this useful workshop.

We have attended meetings of the Southern Worcester club at Worcester and Holliston, and those of the Massachusetts Library club at Springfield and Medford.

Let us, as Trustees, repeat that the deep things unite and shallow divide.

ACCESSIONS.

Volumes added,		195
By purchase,	127	
Gift,	14	
State,	10	
Free Public Library Commission,	44	
	—	
		195

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

From Central Library,		5219
North Bellingham,		1141
Caryville,		825
Crook's Corner,		380
South Bellingham,		317
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	Total,	7882

LENT TO BRANCHES.

To Caryville,		256
North Bellingham,		297
Crook's Corner,		177
South Bellingham,		140
Rakeville,		81
	—	
	Total,	951

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA FRANKLIN,

Librarian.

BOOKS ADDED FROM FEB. 1, 1912, TO FEB. 1, 1913.

No.	TITLE	FICTION	AUTHOR
1977	Aunt Jane's Nieces Abroad,		Van Dyne
2016	Average Jones,		Adams
2051	Arm Chair at the Inn,		Smith
2082	American Indians,		Starr
3022	Autobiography of an Elderly Woman,		Deland
1978	Boy with the U. S. Census,		Wheeler
1979	Butterfly House,		Freeman
2077	Boy Scouts in the Maine Woods,		Otis
2052	Born an Electrician,		Houston
2053	Bandbox,		Vance
2083	Boys of '76,		Coffin
2084	Boy Soldiers of 1812,		Tomlinson
2085	Blue Book,		Lang
2086	Boy Scouts,		Seton
3015	Betty Wales, B. A.,		Warde
3016	Beatrice Leigh at College,		Schwartz
1190	Betty Wales, Freshman,		Warde
1322	Betty Wales, Sophomore,		Warde
1321	Betty Wales, Junior,		Warde
1544	Betty Wales, Senior,		Warde
3021	Boys of Bunker Academy,		Stoddard
1980	Case of Richard Meynell,		Warde
1981	Clean Peter,		Adelliaborg
1982	Counsel for the Defense,		Scott
1983	Christopher,		Pryce
2018	Captain Martha May,		Abbott
2019	Chain of Evidence,		Wells
2020	Children in the Little Old Red House,		Douglas
2054	Charioteers,		Wright
2087	Careers of Danger and Daring,		Moffitt
2088	Child Life,		Blaisdell
2089	Child Life 1st Reader,		Blaisdell
2090	Child Life 2d Reader,		Blaisdell
3023	Chronicles of Quincy Adams Sawyer,		Pidgin
3024	Charge It,		Bachellor

3025	Cry in the Wilderness,	Waller
2021	Dear Little Girls' Summer Holidays,	Blanchard
2022	Down Our Street,	Buckrose
3026	Daddy Long Legs,	Webster
1984	Express Messenger and Other Stories of the Rail,	Warman
2055	Eli and Policy Ann,	Olmstead
2015	Farmer Boy, Who Became a Bishop,	Graves
2023	Flower of the North,	Curwood
2024	Friar of Wittenberg,	Davis
2025	Forest Castaways,	Bartlett
2026	Freshman Dorn, Pitcher,	Quirk
2056	Five Little Peppers and How they Grew,	Sidney
2057	Four Boys on Pike's Peak,	Tomlinson
2058	Five Little Peppers Midway,	Sidney
2059	Forest on the Hill,	Phillpotts
2091	Fifty Famous Stories Retold,	Baldwin
1985	Greyfriars Bobby,	Atkinson
1986	Green Vase,	Castle
2027	Girl from Tim's Place,	Munn
2060	Green Overcoat,	Belloc
2092	Gunner Aboard the Yankee,	Doubleday
3027	Gentleman of Quality,	Dey
1976	Heart of Us,	Sullivan
1987	Hilda Lessways,	Bennett
1988	Hoosier Chronicle,	Nicholson
2061	Helen with the High Hand,	Bennett
2062	Her Weight in Gold,	McCutcheon
3017	Helen Glenn,	Lillie
3028	Heroine in Bronze,	Allen
1989	Initials Only,	Green
2035	Indiscretions of Master Redhorn,	Bell
1990	John Rawn,	Hough
2028	Joseph in Jeopardy,	Danby
2029	Just Patty,	Webster
2030	Jink's Inside,	Hobson
2093	Jed,	Goss
2094	Jack Alden,	Goss

2095	King of the Golden River,	Ruskin
2081	La Lage's Lovers,	Birmingham
2082	Last Try,	Scott
2083	Little Girl and Philip,	Smith
2084	Likely Story,	De Morgan
1993	Love that Lives,	Wright
1994	Lost Farm Camp,	Knibbe
2063	Lighted Way,	Oppenheim
2064	Lovers of Sauna,	Cutting
2096	Little Duke,	Yonge
3018	Little Girl in Old St. Louis,	Douglas
3029	Looking Backwood,	Bellamy
3030	Legacy,	Watts
1995	Mystery of the Boule Cabinet,	Stevenson
1996	Motor Girls Through New England,	Penrose
1997	Mountain Girl,	Erskine
1998	Money Moon,	Farnol
2914	My Rag Picker	Waller
2086	Man in Lonely Island,	Bosher
2087	Man's Man,	Hay
2088	Maid of Old New York,	Barr
2065	Mother,	Norris
2066	Moth,	Orcutt
2097	Mary Plymouth,	Otis
3031	Master of the Oaks,	Stanley
2012	Our Nation's Altar,	Coolidge
2039	Open Letter to Society from Convict 1776,	
3032	Olympian,	Oppenheim
1999	Peter Roff,	Oppenheim
2000	Peter and Jane,	MacNaughlan
2001	Peggy Owen at Yorktown,	Madison
2040	Paradise Farm,	Tynan
2013	Priscilla of the Good Intent,	Sutcliffe
2041	Principal Girl,	Snaith
2067	Polly of the Hospital Staff,	Dowd
2068	Paul Carah,	Lee
2069	Pleasant Street Partnership,	Leonard
2070	Price She Paid,	Phillips

3033	Paul Rundel,	Harben
3034	Pleasuring of Susan Smith,	Winslow
2042	Question of Latitude,	Lufzman
3035	Quincy Adams Sawyer,	Pidgin
2002	Ranche on the Oxhide,	Inman
2003	Riders of the Purple Sage,	Grey
2071	Red Land,	Day
2072	Red Pepper Burnes,	Richmond
2073	Red Cross Girl,	Davis
2074	Riverside Reader,	Sickle
2098	Ruth of Boston,	Otis
2099	Richard of Jamestown,	Otis
3000	Recollections of a Drummer Boy,	Kufler
3036	Romance of Billy Goat Hill,	Rice
3037	Rise of Roscoe Paine,	Lincoln
3038	Rich Mrs. Burgoyne;	Norris
2004	Sick-a-Bed Lady,	Abbott
2005	Stories from Dickens,	Cobb
2043	Stories of Peter and Ellen,	Smith
2044	Sally Salt,	Woodrow
2045	Story of the Cowboy,	Hough
2046	School Team on the Diamond,	Earl
3003	Stories of Starland,	Proctor
3004	Story of Columbus,	Imlach
3005	Stories Mother Nature Told her Children,	Andrews
	Stepping Stones to Literature,	Arnold
3006	1st Reader,	
3007	2d Reader,	Birmingham
3008	3d Reader,	Waller
2047	Search Party,	Samuel
2048	Sanna of the Island Tower,	
2075	Story of Gold and Silver,	Tomlinson
2076	Street Called Straight,	Marryat
3001	Search for Andrew Field,	
3002	Settlers in Canada,	Andrews
2006	Ten Boys Who Lived on the Road from Long Ago to Now,	Major
2007	Touchstone of Fortune,	

2008	Tante,	Sedgwick
2049	Through the Postern Gate,	Barclay
2050	Turnstile,	Mason
2077	Three Girls of Hazelmere,	Deland
2078	Torchy,	Ford
2079	Toby,	Harris
3009	Tom Clifton,	Goss
3010	True Stories of U. S. Grant,	Brooks
3011	True Stories of Benj. Franklin,	Brooks
3019	That Little Smith Girl,	Perry
3020	Two Maryland Girls,	Blanchard
3039	Their Yesterdays,	Wright
3040	Unknown Quanity,	
2009	Vane of the Timberlands,	Bindloss
2010	Wrong Woman,	Stewart
2011	Wide Awake Girls,	Ellis
2080	Way of an Eagle,	Dell
2081	Wilhemina Changes Her Mind,	
3012	When Mother Lets Us Keep Pets,	Johnson
3013	When Mother Lets Us Cook,	Johnson
3041	Wind Before the Dawn,	Munger
3042	White Shield,	Reed
3014	Year in a Yawl,	Doubleday
3043	Yates Pride,	Freeman

NON-FICTION.

256	N.F. Annual Report of the Interstate Commission,	
258	" Acts and Resolves of Mass.,	
259	" At the Library Table,	
266	" American Historical Association, Vol. I,	
267	" American Historical Association, Vol. II,	
281	" Acts and Resolves of Mass., 1912,	
261	" Boys Life of Edison,	Meadowcroft
270	" Child's Garden of Verses,	

269	"	Game Birds, Wild Fowl and Shore Birds,	Forbush
271	"	How the World is Housed,	Carpenter
272	"	How the World is Clothed,	"
273	"	How the World is Fed,	"
276	"	History of the English People, Vol. I,	Green
277	"	" " " " " II,	"
278	"	" " " " " III,	"
279	"	" " " " " IV,	"
280	"	" " " " " V,	"
264	"	Indebtedness of the Cities and Towns of the Commonwealth,	
284	"	Journal of the Senate, 1912,	
285	"	Journal of the House of Representa- tives, 1912,	
274	"	Little Folks' Handy Book,	Beard
254	"	Library of Congress,	
260	"	Manual of the General Court,	
287	"	Nim's Second Massachusetts Battery,	Whitcomb
286	"	Proceedings of Encampment Dept. Mass. 1912,	
253	"	Proceedings of Encampment Dept. Mass. 1911,	
275	"	Songs Every Child Should Know,	Bacon
252	"	Seventeenth Mass. Volunteers in the Civil War,	
255	"	Seventy-fifth Annual Report of the Board of Education 1910-1911,	
262	"	Transportation,	

VITAL RECORDS.

- 112 Andover Vol. II,
- 113 Haverhill, Vol. II,
- 114 Ipswich, Vol. II,
- 115 Newbury, Mass., Vol. I,
- 116 Newbury, Mass., Vol. II,

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF THE
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts
FOR THE
For School Year 1911-1912



Sentinel Press
Franklin
1913

School Committee Organization, 1912-1913.

HENRY A. McCARTHY, Chairman,	Term expires 1914
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY, Secretary,	Term expires 1913
JAMES O. RICHARDSON,	Term expires 1915

SUPERINTENDENT.

F. G. ATWELL.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

H. A. WHITNEY,	O. J. FISHER,
W. C. WHITE,	F. G. ATWELL.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

DR. SAMUEL A. BUTLER.

CENSUS ENUMERATOR.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES

For Children Between the Ages of 14 and 16.

F. G. ATWELL.

Report of School Committee.

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

Your School Committee respectfully submit the following annual report:

The committee organized with Henry A. McCarthy, chairman, and Timothy E. Foley, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Joint School Committee of the district, held at Hopedale, Mr. F. G. Atwell was re-elected Superintendent.

We submit, following our financial statement, the Superintendent's report, which is worthy of your careful consideration.

We would respectfully ask for an appropriation of \$6,000 for the ensuing year.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	\$6,300 00
Balance Mass. School fund,	466 82
District School fund,	416 67
Tuition State wards,	105 00
High School tuition,	1,087 00
Dog tax,	241 07
Heating Library room,	6 00
Local tuition,	2 00
Return on overpaid bill,	3 50
Heating room at South school 2 years,	20 00
Insurance on South school,	83 30
Income Massachusetts School fund,	1,370 05
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	\$10,101 41

EXPENSES.

Teaching,	\$4,241 50
Care,	731 78
Fuel,	929 17
Text Books,	88 03
Repairs,	516 73
Incidentals,	106 10
Supervision,	616 60
Supplies,	154 28
Transportation,	1,179 00
Tuition,	1,080 00
	— —
	\$9,648 19

UNEXPENDED BALANCE, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHOOL FUND.

MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Balance left from last year,	466 82
Received in January, 1918,	1,370 05
	— —
Paid teacher's salary,	1,136 34
Paid books and supplies,	242 31
	— —
Balance left unexpended,	458 22

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES.

SUPERVISION.

Paid F. G. Atwell,	616 60
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TEACHING.

Paid Francis Hallier, 36 weeks, North	450 00
Freeda Duplessis, 36 weeks, North	896 00
Katherine Lyman, 36 weeks,	
North	369 00
Mabel A. Drake, 36 weeks, North	396 00
Eva M. Jackson, 36 weeks, Center	463 00
Lena DeLoura, 18 weeks, center	180 00

Ethel Rockwell, 36 weeks, center	405 00
Gertrude Rockwell, 18 weeks, center,	189 00
Annie E. Bragdon, 36 weeks, South	450 00
Lulu B. Coleman, 36 weeks South	387 00
Lucretia E. Gale, 36 weeks, South	396 00
Helen L. Varney, drawing teacher	160 00

	\$4,241 50

CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Paid Oliver J. Fisher, 36 weeks	248 00
Oliver J. Fisher, cleaning	15 88
James O. Richardson, 36 weeks	225 00
James O. Richardson, cleaning	12 30
William C. White, 36 weeks	225 00
William H. Penn, cleaning	10 60

	731 78

TRANSPORTATION.

Paid Poor Department, 36 weeks	360 00
L. Francis Thayer, 36 weeks	330 00
John McCarthy, 36 weeks	324 00
M., A. & W. St. R'y	165 00

	1,179 00

TUITION.

Paid Town of Franklin for High school	320 00
Town of Milford for High school	760 00

	1,080 00

FUEL.

North School:	
Paid J. E. Camp & Sons, 35.07 tons coal at \$7 25	\$254 25
Edmund Goggin, 4 cords oak wood at 6 00	24 00

Edmund Goggin, 1 cord pine limbs	3 00
Elmer Nourse, sawing .4 cords wood at .75 cents	3 00

	284 25

Center School:

Paid L. Francis Thayer, 40 tons coal at \$7 15	286 00
L. Francis Thayer, 3 cords sawed wood at 6.00	18 00
L. Francis Thayer, 2 1-2 cords sawed wood at 6.00	15 00
L. Francis Thayer, 1 cord wood sawed and split	6 00

	325 00

South School:

Paid J. E. Camp & Sons, 40.19 tons coal at 6.75	271 28
S. E. Scott, hauling same at .75	80 14
E. A. Rhodes, 2 cords sawed wood at 7.00	14 00
E. A. Rhodes, 1 1-2 cords pine limbs at 3.00	4 50

	\$319 92

TEXT BOOKS.

Paid American Book Co.,	\$25 34
J. L. Hammett Co.,	3 38
D. C. Heath & Co.,	10 72
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins,	5 50
Little, Brown & Co.,	10 80
Ginn & Co.,	14 32
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	6 45
Burr J. Merriam,	2 00
McKinley Pub. Co.,	2 84
Express and cartage,	7 18

	\$88 08

SUPPLIES.

Paid J. L. Hammett Co.,	\$117 05
Kenney Bro.'s & Wolkins,	9 00
H. S. Chadbourne,	3 25
L. F. Thayer,	1 14
F. G. Atwell,	12 18
F. W. Martin,	1 75
O. J. Fisher,	3 73
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	3 00
Milton Bradley Co.,	84
H. H. Lent,	1 50
Scott, Foresman & Co.,	84

	\$154 28

REPAIRS.

North School:

Paid Clark Ellis & Sons, repairing furnace,	\$28 64
L. S. Holbrook, repairing steps,	2 60
Eldredge & Son, glass,	78

	\$32 02

Center School:

Paid James O. Richardson, repairing steps, labor and material,	\$3 70
W. F. Adams, labor,	2 00
James Munroe, repairing school building and fixing drain pipe,	8 50
A. T. Stearns Co., hand rails,	2 16

	\$16 36

South School:

Paid Geo. W. Cook, shingling and re- pairing school building, dam- aged by fire,	\$277 15
Rumsey & Co., wheel for bell,	2 00
Henry A. McCarthy, labor,	1 40

	\$280 55

Paid The American Seating Co., school furniture,	\$171 16
L. F. Thayer, freight and cartage,	8 24
O. J. Fisher, labor,	2 40
Chas. Dunning, setting up desks and chairs,	6 00

	\$187 80.

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Samuel A. Butler, M. D., school physician	36 50
Eldredge & Son, floor dressing	8 25
Wm. C. White, service as truant officer	7 90
Milford Journal, envelopes	3 25
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. freight bill on school furniture	11 85
Patrick O'Neil, cleaning vaults and carting ashes	5 00
F. G. Atwell, 1-3 cost of stamped envelopes	3 54
L. F. Thayer, cleaning vaults and carting ashes	4 50
Wm. Rattier, cleaning vault	2 00
Clark, Ellis & Sons, floor brush	2 75
F. G. Atwell, 1-3 'phone rental	5 18
Henry A. Whitney, taking school census	7 50
Cornelius Allen, use of well from Feb. 1, '12, to Feb. 1, '13	5 00
For Exit cards	1 00
F. G. Atwell, expenses for school furniture	1 88

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HENRY A. McCARTHY,
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
JAMES O. RICHARDSON,
School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of Bellingham:

The nineteenth report of the superintendent of schools is herewith presented.

We have been fortunate in retaining the same teachers as last year with one exception. A change of teachers is almost certain to involve a loss of time and efficiency at first. It takes a new teacher some time to get acquainted with the pupils, the conditions, and the requirements, and the pupils can not adjust themselves to the new conditions at once. Assuming that the equivalent of two weeks' work is lost every time a change of teachers is made—and this is a conservative estimate—it would be just as economical to add two weeks' pay to the salary of the old teacher in order to retain her. This is the policy which was pursued this year, and it seems to me a wise one.

It is often said that the teacher makes the school, and this is no exaggeration. She not only imparts knowledge, but she stimulates and directs the child's mental activity and forms his mental habits. Fine buildings, beautiful grounds, and adequate books and apparatus are all desirable though not indispensable, but a good school is impossible without a good teacher. In respect to its teachers I think the town of Bellingham is especially fortunate.

The attendance has been better this year than last. This is due in part to the absence of deep snows and unfavorable weather. Furthermore, we have looked after the delinquents more closely. The teachers report the attendance each month, and if it is not what it should be, an inquiry follows. They also report by name any pupil who has been absent without sufficient cause. On the other hand, there have been more colds and cases of minor throat troubles than usual, especially at North Bellingham. These have tended to lower the attend-

ance. The fact relating to attendance which is most difficult to impress upon the minds of parents is that they have no right to keep a child out of school to assist on the farm or to work in the house. With certain minor exceptions, the law requires every child between seven and fourteen years of age to attend school all the time the schools are in session. This means that he must be there when school opens and remain until it closes. The teacher or school authorities may excuse a child under certain conditions, but never in violation of the spirit of the law. Sickness or disability on the part of the pupil, contagious disease in the family, or the death of a relative are valid reasons for excusing a child for non-attendance. But to stay out of school to perform any kind of labor or to go visiting or to buy a pair of shoes Monday which should have been purchased Saturday is a violation of the law.

In last year's report a more strict enforcement of the law relating to vaccination was recommended. I personally tried to impress upon the pupil the reasonableness and necessity of vaccination. The teachers were asked to do all they could by persuasion. Our policy was first persuasion, then insistence, and finally coercion if necessary. Dr. Butler as school physician rendered material assistance in the campaign. The manner in which the parents responded was very gratifying. As a result almost every unvaccinated child received proper attention.

Now that we have things straightened out, I would recommend that we live up to the letter of the law. No child should be admitted to our schools who has not been successfully vaccinated unless he brings a certificate of exemption from a regular practising physician. In the end this will prove fr the easiest and simplest course to pursue.

Some two years ago Miss Bragdon began teaching sewing to all the girls in her building who cared to take it. This year the teachers at the North School have made a beginning in manual training. Miss Hallier is teaching the boys knife-work, and is about to begin elementary designs in reed. Miss Duplessis is teaching sewing to the girls, and they have already made some articles of wearing apparel. Miss Lyman

is giving some of the simpler forms of handwork to grades three and four. All of this work is very much enjoyed by the pupils, and I think it furnishes a type of training which they need, and which will prove of real practical use to them.

The escape from more serious damage, or possibly total destruction, to the building at South Bellingham was remarkably fortunate. Considering the direction and force of the wind, prompt and valiant fire-fighting must have been done to prevent total loss. This would have crippled the schools for a year. In fact, it is difficult to see just what arrangement could be made that would adequately meet such a catastrophe. As it was, the schools were not interrupted at all.

The grammar room at North Bellingham was entirely refitted with up-to-date chairs and desks during the summer vacation. This was a much needed improvement, for the old furniture had been in use a great many years. The new furniture is of the sanitary steel type, and is adjustable. There are no corners nor joints where dirt can possibly collect. The tops of the desks can be drawn forward so the pupils do not have to stoop nor lean over to see their work. The chairs are especially hygienic, because they support the back at those points where the spinal column most needs support. Twenty sets of this same kind of furniture were put into the two lower rooms at the Center. More than half of the school furniture in town is now of the adjustable form, and it is desirable to change the remainder as soon as the requisite funds are available.

With sincere appreciation for the kindness which has made the year's work so pleasant, this report is respectfully submitted.

F. G. ATWELL,
Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1911-1912.

SCHOOLS	Total Enrollment	Number under 5 yrs of age	Number between 5 and 14 of age	Average Age	Average Attendance	Per Cent of At-ten-dance	Total days of Ab-sence	Tardi-ness	Dis-mis-sal	Tru-ants	Cor-poral Pun-ish-ment	Visits by School Supt.	Visits by Phys-ician	Visits by Others	
North Grammar	27	0	2	10	23.83	22.36	93.77	273	41	25	0	0	25	1	4
North Sub. "	24	0	3	21	27.72	26.14	94.42	602	15	17	0	0	24	1	1
North Intermediate	28	0	0	28	24.75	23.97	93.42	302	50	20	0	2	21	1	11
North Primary	23	0	0	8	19.51	17.28	88.32	392	3	2	0	0	22	1	13
Massey Grammar	19	0	2	9	16.15	14.44	89.50	304	5	6	0	0	34	2	93
Massey Intermediate	22	0	0	22	21.99	20.41	92.81	268	62	16	0	7	34	1	20
Massey Primary	25	0	0	12	22.73	21.19	93.22	279	14	5	0	0	32	1	26
South Grammar	23	0	5	14	18.82	15.96	85.46	495	176	136	4	7	28	1	127
South Intermediate	30	0	0	29	27.82	26.29	93.63	298	80	55	0	18	13	1	25
South Primary	35	0	0	24	27.62	24.31	88.02	443	112	26	10	6	11	1	13
SUMMARIES	256	0	12	177	230.94	212.35	91.95	3656	558	308	14	40	244	11	333

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1912.

SCHOOL	TEACHER	APPOINTMENT	WHERE FITTED
NORTH.			
Grades 7, 8, 9,	Frances Hallier.	Sept., 1904, Newburyport Training.	
Grades 5, 6,	Freda Duplessis,	Sept., 1906, Normal Art.	
Grades 3, 4,	Katherine Lyman,	Sept., 1911, Framingham Normal.	
Grades 1, 2,	Mabel Drake,	Sept., 1904, Framingham Normal.	
MASSEY.			
Grades 7, 8, 9,	Eva M. Jackson,	Sept., 1906, Colby Academy.	
Grades 4, 5, 6,	Gertrude Rockwell,	Sept., 1912, Framingham Normal.	
Grades 1, 2, 3,	Ethel Rockwell,	Sept., 1906, Framingham Normal.	
SOUTH.			
Grades 6, 7, 8,	Annie E. Bragdon,	Sept., 1909, Gorham Normal.	
Grades 3, 4, 5,	Lucretia Gale,	Sept., 1911, Gloucester Training.	
Grades 1, 2,	Lulu B. Coleman,	Sept., 1910, Springfield, Vt., High.	
DRAWING,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907, Normal Art School.	

SCHOOL CALENDAR, SEPT., 1912 TO JUNE, 1913.

Fall term of 14 weeks begins Sept. 9, 1912, and closes Dec. 13, 1912.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Winter term of 12 weeks begins Dec. 30, and closes March 21, 1913.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Spring term of 10 weeks begins April 7, 1913, and closes June 18, 1913.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, SEPT., 1913, TO JUNE, 1914.

Fall term of 15 weeks begins Sept. 8, 1913, and closes Dec. 19, 1913.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Winter term of 11 weeks begins Jan. 5, 1914, and closes March 20, 1914.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Spring term of 10 weeks begins April 6, 1914, and closes June 12, 1914.

Holidays:—

Columbus day, Thanksgiving day and the Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

ROLL OF HONOR, 1911-1912.

SIX TERMS.

Massey Grammar—Annie Drescher.

FOUR TERMS.

North Intermediate—Cornelius Allen, Lena Hefferman.

THREE TERMS.

North Grammar—Elsie Bigwood.

North Sub-Grammar—May Allen, Loretta Desmond.

Massey Intermediate—Ernest Davis.

Massey Primary—Marion Adams, Walter Adams.

FALL AND SPRING TERMS.

North Grammar—Myra Dee.

North Sub-Grammar—James Fitzpatrick.

North Intermediate—Ernest O'Rourke.

North Primary—Clarence Reed.

Massey Intermediate—Chester Gaskill, Elmer Moore.

Massey Primary—Beatrice Byron, Mamie Byron, Alice Sanderson, Marion White.

South Intermediate—Hebert L. Mowry, Winnie Hall, Ruth Rhodes.

South Primary—Harold Cook, Doris Rhodes, Mildred Mowry, Mary Lariviere.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

North Grammar—Nellie Connolly, Waldo Kennelly.

North Sub-Grammar—Mark McMahon, Addison Spear.

FALL TERM.

North Sub-Grammar—May Murphy.

North Primary—Joseph Connolly, Genevere Kelliher, Irene Robideau, John Wigren.

Massey Grammar—Emily Migneault.

Massey Intermediate—Grace White, Myrtle Migneault, Carlton Gaskill.

Massey Primary—Marguerite Cooke.

South Grammar—Bertram Perkins, Leonard Estes.

South Primary—George Gelinas, Martha Brown.

WINTER TERM.

North Grammar—Ellen Mullen.

North Intermediate—Tony Cibello, Alice Kelliher.

Massey Intermediate—Edith Aldrich.

South Grammar—Corinne Velliere.

SPRING TERM

North Grammar—Leo Dee, Francis Woodhead.

North Sub-Grammar—Helen Smith, Alexander McLean,
Ruth Fairbanks, Robert Boutelier.

North Intermediate—Anna Brooks, Eva Brooks, Helen Kel-
liber, Harold Kennelly.

North Primary—Timothy Allen

Massey Grammar—Ernest Aldrich, Mary Munroe

Massey Primary—Elizabeth Dawley, Sarah Aldrich, Ray Davis

South Grammar—Ruth Uawin, Percy Hall

South Intermediate—Irene Crooks, Eleanor Rhodes, Arthur Trottier, Winnie Perreault.

South Primary—Frank Care, Elmer Crooks, George Crooks,
Eloise Rhodes.

BROGRAM

March to Soldiers' Monument

Music, The New Hail Columbia
SCHOOLS.

Rev. W. W. Wakeman
The Flowers We Gather

RUTH FAIRBANKS

Song, Memory Day
SOUTH INTERMEDIATE.

Recitation, **Our Colors**
NORTH PRIMARY

Music,
SCHOOLS.

The American Hymn

Recitation,	The Sleeping Gray
MASSEY INTERMEDIATE.	
Recitation,	A Song for Our Flag
MAY FLANNAGAN.	
Music,	Star Spangled Banner
SCHOOLS.	
Flag Exercise,	NORTH INTERMEDIATE.
Recitation,	The Mother of a Soldier
RUTH UNWIN.	
Music,	To Thee, O Country
SCHOOLS.	
Exercise and Song,	Columbia, Gem of the Ocean
SOUTH PRIMARY.	
Recitation,	Boy Billy
MARJORIE SYMMES.	
Flag Drill,	MASSEY PRIMARY.
Music,	America
AUDIENCE AND SCHOOLS.	
Benediction.	

Report of School Physician.

West Medway, Mass., Feb. 21st, 1913.

School Board, Bellingham, Mass.:

Dear Sirs: On Examination of the children in the schools of Bellingham I found 34 pupils with enlarged tonsils and adenoids.

Diseases of scalp, Two.

Diseases of skin, Five.

Pediculosis Capitis, 30.

I would recommend that more attention be paid to vaccination, also about the length of time pupils should remain at home after contagious diseases.

Yours truly,

SAMUEL BUTLER, M.D.

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